

Title: Need to facilitate early completion of Janjhavati Reservoir project in Andhra Pradesh.

DR. D.V.G. SHANKAR RAO (PARVATHIPURAM): Sir, the Janjhavati Reservoir Project is an on-going medium irrigation scheme proposed across Janjhavati river in my Parvatipuram parliamentary constituency in Andhra Pradesh.

Further, 24,640 acres is proposed to be irrigated benefiting 75 villages in five Mandals.

An inter-state agreement has been entered into by the Andhra Pradesh Government with the Orissa Government for utilising 50 per cent of yield, i.e., 4 TMC of water and to carry out the project works except the river gap portion until settlement of extent of submersion on Orissa territory. The scheme was started in 1976 and 95 per cent of work is completed except that river gap portion. The completion of project is delayed due to lack of clearance from the Orissa Government.

I, therefore, request the Government of India to take initiation by convening a meeting with the two State Governments to facilitate the early completion of the Project.