

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2042
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GANDAK RIVER PROJECT OF BIHAR
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have taken any action for completion of Gandak River Project in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) by when the project is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BHOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) to (c) Gandak Project Phase I has been completed in the Vith Plan with cost of Rs.366.80 crore. The Project Report of Gandak Phase II Irrigation Project was received in December, 1990. It was appraised by Central Water Commission and their observations/comments were sent to the State Government for compliance. In the absence of any compliance from the State, the Project Report was sent back to the State Government in February, 1996 requesting them to resubmit the modified proposal in light of the comments sent to them. Since then, no proposal/report has been received from the Government of Bihar. Irrigation being a State subject, the execution of project depends upon the priority attached to the project by the State Government.