

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:872

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EXPERT COMMITTEE TO ASSESS WATER FLOWS AT BILIGUNDLU AND METTUR

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have constituted a committee of experts in January 1994 to assess the water flow measured by Central Water Commission at Biligundlu in Karnataka and at Mettur Dam reservoir in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the number of meetings held since its inception, year-wise;

(c) whether the committee has submitted its report to the Union Government; and

(d) if not, the reasons for delay and by when it is likely to be submitted?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) A Standing Committee of Experts under the Chairmanship of Chief Engineer, Central Water Commission, Coimbatore and Chief Engineers/Principal Engineer of the four basin States as Members, was constituted on 21st January, 1994 to assess and reconcile the inflows at Biligundlu as well as inflows into Mettur reservoir.

(b) The Committee held three meetings in 1994, two meetings in 1995 and one meeting in 2002.

(c) & (d) The Committee could not submit its report due to non-cooperation and non-participation by the State of Tamil Nadu after 5th Meeting held in 1995.