

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:778  
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RELEASE OF WATER TO RAJASTHAN  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government of Punjab has agreed to release water to Rajasthan during a recent meeting held in Shimla as per 1981 agreement; and

(b) if so, the time by which this water is likely to be released?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES, PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

(a) & (b) During the 25th Meeting of the Northern Zonal Council held on 25th October, 2005 in Shimla, Chief Minister, Punjab is reported to have stated that Rajasthan could be given its due share of water provided the State completes construction of the required canals and has the required capacity.