

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:784  
ANSWERED ON:28.11.2005  
RELEASE OF WATER TO KARAİKAL REGION  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the quantum of water released to Karaikal region under the Cauvery Accord during the last three years;
- (b) whether the water released is in accordance with the agreement;
- (c) if not, the causes for the breach of accord;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to consider a separate accord for Karaikal region; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) The quantum of water in Thousand Million Cubic Feet (TMC) released to the Karaikal Region, as reported by Government of Tamil Nadu and by Union Territory of Pondicherry for the past three years are as under: Water As reported by As reported by Union

Year	Government of Tamil Nadu Pondicherry	Territory of
2002-03	3.089	1.154
2003-04	2.228	1.008
2004-05	8.816	4.209

(b) & (c) As per the Interim Order of Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDT) dated 25.6.1991, 6 TMC of water for Karaikal Region of the Union Territory of Pondicherry will be delivered by the State of Tamil Nadu in a regulated manner. As per the Government of Tamil Nadu, the above 6 TMC of water has to be delivered within 205 TMC of water to be delivered by the State of Karnataka to Tamil Nadu at Mettur annually. The Mettur Dam has realized water only 94.87 TMC in the year 2002-03 and 65.16 TMC during 2003-2004 as against the prescribed quantity of 205 TMC as per the CWDT interim order from Karnataka. There was heavy deficit in inflows during the above two years.

(d) & (e) The Order dated 25th June, 1991 of CWDT is operative till the final adjudication of the dispute referred to the Tribunal. The Central Government on the request of the Tribunal has extended the time for submission of report and decision of the Tribunal by one year beyond 6.8.2005.