

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2766
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CONSTRUCTION OF DAM ON POLAR RIVER
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to provide financial assistance for construction of dams on the Polar river in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Irrigation is a State subject and the planning, execution, funding, operation and maintenance of irrigation projects are primarily the responsibility of the State Governments based on their priorities. The Central Government is providing Central Assistance under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme for completion of irrigation projects, proposed by the State Governments, as per the guidelines of the programme. No proposal from the State Government of Tamil Nadu for assistance under the programme has been received for construction of dams on the Polar river in Tamil Nadu.