

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3756
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NIMN PENGANGA IRRIGATION PROJECT
Mohite Shri Subodh

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received a proposal for NIMN- Penganga Irrigation Project from Maharashtra Government for clearance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the project is likely to be given approval?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) The State Government of Maharashtra had submitted the Lower Penganga major irrigation project envisaging benefits to an area of 105.48 thousand hectare for an estimated cost Rs. 163.55 crore in August, 1982 to Central Water Commission (CWC) for techno-economic appraisal. However, the project report was sent back to the State Government in July, 1987 due to non-compliance of CWC's comments for more than one year. The time taken for investment clearance of project depends upon the promptness with which the State Government arrange satisfactory compliance to the observations of Central appraising agencies.