

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:796  
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UPPER TUNGA PROJECT OF KARNATAKA  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the present status of Upper Tunga Project in Karnataka;
- (b) the details of the amount spent thereon so far; and
- (c) the likely time of its completion?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ)

(a) to (c) The Upper Tunga Project of Karnataka was considered by the Technical Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Water Resources in its 80th meeting held on 7th February, 2003 and found acceptable subject to certain observations. The Ministry of Environment & Forest cleared the project in May, 2005. The project has not been approved by the Planning Commission.

The Government of Karnataka has reported that the work of construction of dam including fixing of crest gates has been completed and canal works are at various stages of progress. Total expenditure incurred on project up to June 2006 is Rs.626.1309 crore. The project is likely to be completed by 2009 - 10.