

Title: Need to stop the construction of a reservoir across Chitravathi river near Paragodu village in Anantapur District, Karnataka.

SHRI B.K. PARTHASARATHI (HINDUPUR): Mr. Speaker Sir, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to raise an important issue in this august House.

The people of Anantapur District are agitated over the construction of a reservoir across Chitravathi river near Paragodu village by the Karnataka Government. If the construction of this anicut is done by the Karnataka State it

will affect the people of certain districts like Anantapur and Cuddapah adversely.

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A drought situation is already prevailing in Anantapur. Apart from affecting irrigation prospects, the proposed construction near Paragodu village by Karnataka Government will drastically affect the drinking water need and ground water recharged in the surrounding villages of Chitravathi river in Anantapur district. The dam will deprive the people of utilising water as per the agreement of 1892 between the erstwhile Madras and Mysore States.

I appeal to the Government of India to pass orders to stop the construction of the proposed reservoir across Chitravathi river to save the affected people of Anantapur district.

SHRI KALAVA SRINIVASULU (ANANTAPUR): I would like to associate myself with the points raised by the hon. Member from Hindupur.