

Nabarangpur Irrigation Project, Odisha

Nabarangpur Major Irrigation project is located on the downstream of Indravati Reservoir in the Godavari Basin at Tentulikhunti block of Nabarangpur district of Odisha. The Indravati river is a tributary of River Godavari. The Project envisages construction of a 300 m long tunnel on the right side of Indravati Dam crossing the Khatiguda-Mahulpatna road and canals network consist of 23 nos. distributaries. The main canal is proposed to take off from head regulator and run for a length of 52.35 km. This project is proposed to be constructed to benefit 15000 Ha CCA during Kharif period and drinking water facilities to nearby tribal areas of Nabarangpur district (Tentulikhunti, Nandahandi and Nabrangpur block) by utilizing the storage of Indravati reservoir. Annual Irrigation will benefit 43047 Ha. of land and proposed cost of the project is Rs. 278.99 Cr. Inter-State issues (consent) to be sorted out by co-basin States of Godavari Basin. This project was received in CWC for appraisal and ISM Directorate of CWC observed that water utilisation for this project exceeds 91 TMC, which violates GWDT award.

Further, vide letter dated 16.03.2020 CWC advised to Project Authorities that, in case Odisha wishes that its utilization may not be limited to 91 TMC at upper Indravati project, then it must share the DPR of Nabarangpur Irrigation Project with the State of Chhattisgarh for their views/no objection.