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Ken Betwa Link Project Authority



Date: 24.03.2026

Sub: Minutes of 8th Meeting of Ken Betwa Link Project Authority (KBLPA) held on 12.03.2026 at Bhopal

Sir/ Madam

8th meeting of Ken Betwa Link Project Authority under the Chairmanship of Chief Executive Officer, KBLPA was held on 12.03.2026 at 11:30 hrs. at Bhopal.

Minutes of Meeting duly approved by the CEO, KBLPA vide e-file no. CE(N)-05/1/2022-O/o CE(N) Note #20 dated: 24.03.2026 are enclosed for kind perusal and further necessary action please.

(Shiva Prakash)
ACEO (HQ/P), KBLPA

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1. The Chief Executive Officer, KBLPA, Bhopal.
2. The Engineer-in-Chief/ HOD, I&WRD, Govt. of UP, Lucknow.
3. The Engineer-in-Chief, WRD, Govt. of MP, Bhopal.
4. The Engineer-in-Chief (Project), I&WRD, Govt. of UP, Lucknow.
5. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (HW), KBLPA, Bhopal.
6. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (Environment, R&R & LA), KBLPA, Bhopal.
7. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (E&M), KBLPA, Bhopal.
8. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (Canals), KBLPA, Jhansi.
9. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (Construction); KBLP, UP, Jhansi
10. The Additional Chief Executive Officer (Design & Planning), KBLP, UP.
11. The Chief Engineer, BODHI, WRD, Govt. of MP, Bhopal.
12. The Director, Finance, KBLPA, Bhopal.
13. The Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal for making necessary arrangement of meeting
14. The Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Chhatarpur.
15. The Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Jhansi.
16. The Sub-divisional Engineer, KBLPA, Panna

Special Invitee:

1. The PCCF (Wildlife), Forest Department, Bhopal & Member Secretary, GPLC
2. The APCCF (Land Management), Forest Department, Govt. of MP, Bhopal.

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6. The Collector & District Magistrate, Chhatarpur with the request to depute concerned officer.
7. The Collector & District Magistrate, Niwari with the request to depute concerned officer.
8. The Collector & District Magistrate, Tikamgarh with the request to depute concerned officers.
9. The Collector & District Magistrate, Jhansi with the request to depute concerned officers.
10. The Senior Joint Commissioner, BM Division, DoWR,RD&GR, New Delhi
11. The Chief Engineer, Dhasan Ken Basin, Sagar, WRD, MP
12. The Project Director, Orr River PMU, WRD, Bamorekala, MP (Lower Orr Project)
13. The Project Director, Betwa River PMU, WRD, Bhopal, MP (Bina and Kotha Barrage Project)
14. The Superintending Engineer, KBLP-UP, I&WRD, Banda
15. The Superintending Engineer, KBLP-UP, I&WRD, Mahoba
16. The Superintending Engineer, KBLP-MP, Chhatarpur
17. The Superintending Engineer (HW), KBLP, Bamitha
18. The Chief Executive Director, Environment, WAPCOS Limited, Gurugram.

Copy for kind information to: -

1. PPS to the Secretary, DoWR, RD&GR, Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, WRD, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
3. The Additional Chief Secretary, Forest, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
4. The Principal Secretary, I&WRD, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Babu Bhawan, Lucknow.
5. The Director General, NWDA, New Delhi

Minutes of the 8th meeting of Ken-Betwa Link Project Authority (KBLPA) held on 12.03.2026 at Bhopal

8th Meeting of the Ken-Betwa Link Project Authority was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Prashast Kumar Dixit, Chief Executive Officer, KBLPA on 12th March, 2026 at 11:30 hrs. at Bhopal in hybrid mode. List of participants is enclosed as **Annex-I**.

At the outset, CEO, KBLPA welcomed all the participants in the meeting and appreciated the sincere efforts made by all the stakeholders of KBLPA. After brief introduction by all the participants, CEO, KBLPA asked Member Secretary to take up the agenda items. ACEO (HQ/P), KBLPA thanked CEO, KBLPA and made a power point presentation on the agenda items.

The deliberations and the decisions taken are as follows: -

8.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of 7th meeting of KBLPA

The 7th meeting of the Ken-Betwa Link Project (KBLPA) was held on 05.02.2025 under the Chairmanship of CEO, KBLPA. It was informed that MoM of 7th meeting was circulated vide letter dated 17.02.2025. As no comments had been received from any member of the stakeholder, the Minutes of the 7th Meeting may be confirmed as circulated.

8.2 Follow up action on 7th meeting of KBLPA and

8.3 Follow up action on 8th meeting of Steering Committee

The updated status and follow up actions on the decisions taken are as under: -

Sl. No.	Decisions Taken in 7 th meeting of KBLPA and 8 th meeting of Steering Committee	Follow up Action
1.	LA and R&R for for Daudhan Dam and PTR	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.4
2.	Status of work of Daudhan Dam	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.5
3.	Alignment and Land acquisition for Link Canal	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.7
4.	Tender Document for Link Canal	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.8
5.	Environmental Clearance of Lower Orr Dam	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.9
6.	Status of PMC	Contract Agreement has been signed on 24.06.2025. PMC has been mobilized. M/s WAPCOS filed a court case on 12.09.2024 seeking cancellation of tendering process in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. Next date of hearing is 25.03.2026.

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7.	Implementation of ILMP and EMP	<p>The GPLC held its 2nd meeting on 20.11.2025 at Bhopal. Rs. 49.00 Crore has been released in 2025-26 for implementation of ILMP towards APO of PTR and IRLC.</p> <p>Action Plan, APO of 2026-27 may be submitted after approval from GPLC for release of Fund</p>
8.	Implementation of CAT, CA by Forest Department	<p>An amount of Rs. 272.59 Crore and Rs. 256.51 Crore has been deposited with CAMPA for implementation of CAT and CA, respectively. Against this, progress reports for works amounting to Rs. 8.40 Crore for CAT and Rs. 21.64 Crore for CA (upto July, 2025) only have been received. The Chairman-SC, in the 8th meeting of SC-KBLP, directed the Forest Department to submit the detailed work plan and progress reports with KBLPA. <i>The State Forest Department may submit the latest Progress Report and Work Plan for 2026-27 to KBLPA.</i></p>
9.	Physical and Financial Progress of works of Phase – II projects of MP	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.10.
10.	Status of State specific Projects – S&I, Preparation of DPR	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.11.
11.	KBLP Budget (RE and BE)	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.13.
12.	Status of Expenditure on KBLP	Detailed at Agenda Item No.-8.14.
13.	Status of work at Jhansi & Bhopal by WAPCOS	Work completed. Contract closed.
14.	Opening of SNA account	Both the States UP and MP have onboarded in SNA Sparsh. Mother Sanction have been issued under Component-Ib and II to MP and Component-Ib to UP during the FY 2025-26
15.	Work Plan	Work Plan of 2026-27 is at Agenda Item No.8.15
16.	Attachment of offices by I&WRD, UP and WRD , MP with KBLPA	<p>WRD, MP has attached 1-SE, 4-EE, 4-AE, 5-JE, 2-DA, 3-Steno,7- Assistant (26 Nos.). SE is on additional charge and DA has not joined from MP.</p> <p>I&WRD, UP has issued order for deputation of 1-SE, 4-AE and 12 JEs. 5</p>

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		<p>JE's from UP have joined. Issue of salary has been resolved by I&WRD, UP.</p> <p>I&WRD, UP intimated that remaining officers will join at KBLPA shortly.</p>
17.	Issues related Power House-I&II	<p>The matter was discussed in the 8th meeting of SC-KBLP.</p> <p>Power House-I: The Chairman, SC directed that the land records be verified to ascertain whether the proposed location falls within or outside the PTR, so as to determine the further course of action for its execution in co-ordination with the WRD, Govt of MP.</p> <p>Power House-II: It is understood that the Govt of MP has identified a location for Power House-II and presented the same to the ACS (WRD) on an earlier occasion. The GoMP may communicate the location details to meet its requirement and taking into account the restrictions imposed by MoEF&CC. KBLPA will then prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Power House-II on the basis of the location suggested by the GoMP.</p> <p>The CEO, KBLPA directed the ACEO (E&M) to convene a meeting with WRD, MP to advance the matter further.</p>
18.	Pump House for Upper Level Tunnel	<p>The matter was discussed in the 8th meeting of SC-KBLP. KBLPA may take necessary action for location, feasibility and DPR of the pump house or any other arrangement in consultation with WRD, MP and CWC.</p> <p>Matter was discussed in the 8th meeting of KBLPA and it was desired that action may be taken for feasibility/preparation of DPR at the earliest.</p>

8.4 Land Acquisition and R&R for Daudhan Dam

a) Transfer of Land to PTR/ Forest Department (6017ha)

The PTR Authorities have accepted that total 6017 ha non-forest land has been transferred/ mutated by respective Collectors against desired 6017 ha forest land. District wise detail of non-forest land is as under:

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District	Revenue/ Government Land (ha)	Private Land (ha)	Total (ha)
Chhatarpur	3217.933	529.507	3747.44
Panna	912.37	694.130	1606.50
Damoh	663.06	00.00	663.06
Total	4793.363	1223.637	6017.00

WRD, MP has been informed that 3885.66 ha encroachment free land has been transferred to PTR. However, Deputy Director, PTR and PCCF (Wildlife), MP informed that possession of 2884.828 ha land has been given to PTR as on 11.03.2026.

ACEO (HQ/P) intimated that the matter was discussed in the Review Meeting taken by Joint Secretary (PP), DoWR, RD&GR on 05.02.2026, wherein it was directed that the WRD, MP may reconcile the figure of land handing over and taking over within a week. However, no progress has been reported on the subject matter as discrepancy still continues.

CEO, KBLPA asked the ACEO (Environment, R&R & LA), KBLPA to take up the matter with WRD, MP, Revenue Authorities, PTR and if required a meeting at site may be conducted, so that figure can be reconciled.

CEO, KBLPA further asked WRD, MP to intimate the status and timeline for remaining land, as agreed earlier encumbrance free land is to be handed over to PTR by 31st March, 2026.

b) Non forest Land in submergence of Daudhan Dam

3239 ha (Govt Land: 1784.67 ha + Private Land 1454.33ha) of land is under submergence of Daudhan Dam. Land acquisition in respect of Daudhan Dam is completed. 100% land under submergence has been transferred to WRD, MP.

c) Status of Award, Disbursement and Implementation of R&R:

Following is the status of award and disbursement: -

District	Total Award passed (In Crore ₹)				Amount disbursed (In Crore ₹)			
	LA	Assets	R&R	Total	LA	Asset	R&R	Total
Panna	92.98	65.05	153.87	311.90	83.29	53.72	153.62	290.63
Chhatarpur	267.68	84.58	385.00	737.26	236.23	81.13	372.25	689.61
Total	360.66	149.63	538.87	1049.16	319.52	134.85	525.87	980.24

CEO, KBLPA asked all the stakeholders to take proactive action as agreed in the Review Meeting taken by Joint Secretary (PP), DoWR, RD&GR on 05.02.2026 for timely handing over of land to PTR and eviction of villages, which will be in submergence due to construction of coffer dam on 1st priority.

EE,WRD, MP sought the details of public utilities/ infrastructure, which will come under submergence with the construction of dam and related activities. ACEO (HW), KBLPA intimated that data will be furnished to WRD, MP shortly.

8.5 Status of work of Daudhan Dam

Following is the status of work and issues: -

Contractor initiated mobilization in April 2025. The sub-contractors for Design and HM works have been approved. MoUs signed with CWC, CSMRS, GSI for expert support and with MP-SPCB for monitoring of Air Quality, Water Quality and Noise Level.

Pre-construction works are progressing fast and nearing completion. Machinery & Batching plants installation in progress. 33 KV Line and Bay works in progress. Road widening & strengthening from Bushor Gate to Dam site underway. Phase-I river diversion work is under progress. Foundation excavation of Concrete Dam block 1 to 41 is under progress. Work of office and Township, Dewatering, Approach channel, Cofferdam, Upper Level Tunnel outlet works excavation, wire mesh, shotcrete etc. in progress

Works / Components	Planned		Actual Progress	
	Completion date	% completion	Status till 28 February 2026	Likely Completion date
Mobilization of Manpower & Machinery	21-06-2025	100%	Manpower & Construction Machinery Mobilized	completed
Erection & Commissioning of Batching Plants	07-06-2027	50%	2 nos. Batching Plant installed, and erection of balance Batching Plants and associated components are under progress	As Planned
Office & Residential Complex	31-12-26	45%	Construction of columns above plinth beams of all Residential Buildings completed and construction of columns above plinth beams of office complex is under progress	As Planned

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Road Works	29-05-26	65%	Earthwork in Road 1 (Dam site to Bhusor Gate) and Road 2 (Bhusor Gate to NH39) completed and construction of structures are in progress. Construction of road 3 (Bhusor Gate to Kawar village) and Road 4 (Kawar village to NH39) delayed due to acquisition of private land and diversion of forest land in PTR area	
Coffer Dam & River Diversion Phase I	10-02-26	100%	Part of Coffer dam Phase I Completed. Alternate proposal of coffer dam discussed to facilitate works during monsoon also	In progress
Concrete Dam Foundation Excavation Phase I	04-04-2026	70%	Foundation excavation of concrete dam is under progress in NOF block from block 1 to block 46 (70%)	As planned
Placement of foundation concrete in dam Phase I	13-06-26	10%	Foundation excavation in 5 NOF blocks completed and concreting shall start after approval by GSI	
Approach Channel of Upper Level & Lower-Level Tunnel	05-09-25	100%	13% of Approach Channel Excavation is completed. Design of Approach Channel shall be finalized based on results of Physical Model Study	
Portal and Intake Construction of Upper-Level Tunnel	21-06-28	21%	Portal construction started. Design of intake and Upper Level Tunnel shall be finalized based on results of Physical Model Study	
33kV Transmission laying	07-11-25	100%	Stage II Forest Clearance obtained on 30 -01-26 . About 50% work of laying of 33 KV Transmission Line completed	

Issues:

Following are the issues which needs speedy resolution: -

1. Approval of the Hydraulic Design and Layout of Upper & Lower- Level Tunnel.
2. Approval of Stability analysis of NOF blocks, GA, Hydraulic design & Energy Dissipation Drawings of Spillway block is pending.

3. Approach Road- Private Land, Forest Land shifting of utilities, structures etc. in the Right of Way
4. Evacuation of nearby villages in Submergence Area.
5. Handing over 2 ha of land for Lower Tunnel outlet components like Surge Shaft, Pressure Tunnels and Bye Pass Arrangement & 1.94 ha: Forest land for Approach Road to Surge Shaft.
6. Expediting Tree cutting in PTR area of Revenue Land like
 - a. Tree cutting in Revenue Area in Khasra No. [30,31,32] in Left Bank is balance.
 - b. Tree cutting work in Upper Tunnel outlet in progress.
 - c. Tree cutting in Lower Tunnel Outlet Other Components.
 - d. Tree cutting in the Right Bank (Revenue area) of 76.75 Ha.

Approach Road

i) Land Acquisition of Private Land

As intimated on 05.02.2026 there is an additional land requirement for widening of approach roads and accordingly the land acquisition proposal for 27.975 ha of private land from 7 villages (Devgaon, Jhamtuli, Bardwaha, Karodiya, Kabar, Silon and Rangwan) has been submitted to MPWRD. SDM, Bijawar, Chhatarpur informed that Section-11 notifications have been issued for 3 villages (Devgaon, Bardwaha and Silon) and for the remaining 4 villages, additional information has been sought from KBLPA. In response, KBLPA informed that the required information has already been shared with MPWRD on 1st February 2026.

ii) Relocation of Electric Poles and Water Supply Lines

Rs. 2.67 Crore for water supply pipeline has been deposited. Amount for shifting and relocation of electric lines will be deposited immediately on receipt of invoice.

iii) Shifting / Removal of Government Structures within RoW

Rs. 1.14 Crore has been deposited with the Collector, Chhatarpur. Further action may be taken by the District Administration of Chhatarpur.

iv) Diversion of Forest Land

8.6 Forest Diversion in respect of isolated cases related to Daudhan Dam:

a) Diversion of 9.9 ha Forest Land for widening of Approach Road:

The Proposal No: FP/MP/ROAD /567367/2026 was submitted on 30/01/2026 in Parivesh Portal for 9.9 ha of Forest Land for *Widening of Road from Bamitha-Bhusor, Bhusor-Damsite, Bhusor-Kabar and Kabar – Doogan*. Proposal was considered in the Project Screening Committee (PSC) of MP on 05/03/2026 and found in order. Further action is to be taken by DFO/ PTR and User Agency.

b) Re-Diversion of Land for 5.73 ha

The Proposal No: FP/MP/REDIV /562699/2025 was submitted on 22/12/2025 in Parivesh Portal for Re-Diversion of Land for 5.73 ha land. The proposal is pending at User Agency due to EDS (Essential Detail Sought) by Member Secretary (MS) after PSC-I, since 06/03/2026. KBLPA may take prompt action.

c) Diversion of 46.21 ha land of Gangau Village

Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC vide letter dated: 10.03.2026 has asked the User Agency/ State Government to submit a consolidated separate proposal for diversion of the additional forest land i.e. 46.21 ha under the Ken–Betwa Link Project through the PARIVESH portal clearly highlighting component-wise break up of the proposed 46.21 ha, layout plan and KML file (polygon) of earlier approved 6017 ha and additional 46.21 ha proposal for taking further necessary action.

KBLPA may take prompt action in association with State Government.

8.7 Land acquisition for Ken Betwa Link Canal

Status of Alignment of Link Canal:

It was informed that a 218.60 km long Ken–Betwa Link Main Canal is proposed, the alignment of which passes through Chhatarpur, Tikamgarh, and Niwari districts of Madhya Pradesh and Jhansi district of Uttar Pradesh. Following is the status of alignment: -

- TAG has recommended the revised alignment in its 13th meeting held on 13.08.2025
- CWC has in-principal approved the revised alignment received vide letter dated 22.09.2025.
- ACEO (Canals) intimated that as per requirement of state of UP and MP design discharge of canal at the head is about 180.00 cumecs.
- WRD, MP has raised observation on the outfall of Link Canal in the Barua Sagar vide letter dated 27.10.2025, which has been replied by ACEO (Canals) vide letter dated:30.10.2025
- Steering Committee in its 8th meeting held on 18.12.2025 at Bhopal has approved the revised alignment of Link Canal

The matter was discussed in the 8th meeting of SC-KBLP held on 18.12.2025 , wherein it was desired that WRD, MP and Collector, Chhatarpur to deploy special team for notification of land under Section-19 and Tikamgarh and Niwari to issue notification of land under Section (11(1) within a month. I&WRD, UP informed that notification of land under Section 11(1) shall be completed by January, 2026.

S. N.	District	No. of villages	Present Status
Madhya Pradesh			
1	Chhatarpur	54	Notification period under section-11 extended up to 22.03.2026 for 47 Villages. Section-11 is to be issued for additional 7 nos. of villages due to change in alignment of Link Canal . Proposal has been submitted to the Collector Proposal of 34 villages under Section-19 has been submitted to concerned SDM
2	Tikamgarh	41	Notification under Section-11 issued

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3	Niwari	10	Notification under Section-11 issued
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Uttar Pradesh			
1	Jhansi	11	Notice under Section -11(1) will be issued by 31 st March, 2026

Fund is available with the Collector, Chhatarpur towards Land Acquisition for Link Canal in Chhatarpur district. Proposal of UP and MP for payment towards Land Acquisition in Jhansi, Tikamgarh and Niwari has been submitted to DoWR,RD&GR in Feb, 2026

CEO, KBLPA asked both the States to take necessary action as agreed in the 8th meeting of Steering Committee held on 18.12.2025 and subsequently Review meeting taken by the Joint Secretary (PP) DoWR,RD&GR held on 05.02.2026.

8.8 Tender Document for Link Canal:

The tender for EPC contract of Ken-Betwa Link Canal has been discussed in the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th TAG meeting. The scope of work includes Planning, Design and Construction work of Ken-Betwa Link Canal of length about 218.60 Km and other ancillary works on EPC basis.

In the 8th meeting of SC-KBLP held on 18.12.2025, EPC Tendering for Link Canal has been approved in Two Packages Package-I [from Upper-Level Tunnel outlet (Beyond scope of EPC contract of Daudhan Dam) to near River Dhasan] and Package-II [from the River Dhasan to outfall at Barwa Sagar dam]

TEC has been constituted by DoWR,RD&GR vide OM dated: 26.12.2025

TAG-KBLPA meeting held on 15-16 January 2026 wherein the Draft Tender Document was discussed and TAG-KBLPA has suggested some modifications. After revision and modification of draft Tender Document for Package-I and Package-II, it has been circulated to TEC members on 30.01.2026 and 05.02.2026 respectively.

The 1st TEC meeting was held on 17.02.2026 at Jhansi in hybrid mode. The stakeholder consultation meeting for tenders of EPC execution was held on 26.02.2026 at Jhansi. The 2nd TEC meeting was held on 26.02.2026 at Jhansi in hybrid mode.

ACEO (Canals) intimated that 3rd meeting of TEC has been scheduled on 19.03.2026 at Jhansi in hybrid mode. Tender will be submitted to DoWR,RD&GR for approval as per the outcome of 3rd TEC meeting.

8.9 Environmental Clearance of Lower Orr Dam Project

The status is same as informed in the previous SC meeting. The WAPCOS has submitted damage assessment report of Lower Orr Dam. Representative of MoEF&CC informed that presently there is ban on the appraisal of violation cases, by MoEF&CC due to the order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court.

WRD, MP vide letter dated: 03.10.2025 has also sought clarification regarding filling of the Dam as the

Headwork has been completed, so that phase wise irrigation potential can be started.

IA Division, MoEF&CC vide OM No. IA3-3/7/2024-IA.III (Part-I) [E254652] dated: 20.01.20206 -11(b) has intimated that “All violation cases pending under S.O.804 dated 14/03/2017 shall be processed but the final order granting approval shall not be issued till further orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court”. In view of this WAPCOS has been asked to upload the proposal in the PARIVESH Portal for grant of Environmental Clearance to Lower Orr Dam Project vide letter dated 20.01.2026.

WAPCOS vide letter 10.03.2026 has intimated that:-

“They have initiated the action and project was relisted and ADS (Additional Detail Sought) reply was submitted on PARIVESH Portal. However, the proposal status on PARIVESH Portal is showing "Under Processing with Authority" for a long time. WAPCOS tried to resolve this issue at our end. Despite lot of efforts the same status is reflected on PARIVESH Portal”

In view of above WAPCOS has requested to submit a request to Member Secretary, EAC (RV&HEP), MoEF&CC for resolving the ADS and issuance of TOR, so that application for EC can be submitted on PARIVESH Portal.

CEO, KBLPA asked the NWDA to take further necessary action in association with WRD, MP and WAPCOS so that benefits from the project can be accrued as the Head works has already been completed and Canal works, Micro irrigation system are progressing well.

8.10 Physical and financial progress of works of MP & UP

Following is the physical and financial progress of ongoing works of MP:-

S.N.	Name of Project	GoI-approved*/CWC appraised cost** (₹ in crore)	Expenditure till 28.02.2026 (₹in crore)	Physical Progress upto 28.02.2026		Total Work (%)	Designed Irrigation (Ha.)
				Head Work (%)	Canal Work (%)		
1	Lower Orr Dam	3426.39*/2657.04**	1945.04	100.00	48.00	73.00	90,000
2	Kotha Barrage	860.07*/709.47**	492.84	84.00	74.00	79.00	20,000
3	Bina Complex [§]	4182.06*/3353.62**	2786.77	100.00*	66.00*	60.00*	96,000
	*PL 2020-21	**PL2017-18					

[§] For two dams out of 4 dams in Bina Complex project

Following is the physical and financial progress of ongoing works of UP:-

Project	GoI- approved*/ CWC appraised cost** (₹ in crore)	Budget plan 2025-26 (₹ in crore)	Expenditure till 28.02.2026 (₹in crore)	Physical progress (%)	Contract award date	Expected date of completion
Restoration of Ken Canal System	1000.00*/ 1191.51**	350	137.49	30 %	03/2025	03/2028
*PL 2020-21	**PL 2023-24					

8.11 Status of State Specific Projects – S&I, Preparation of DPR-UP

A. Uttar Pradesh:

I) Banda Barrage:

It was informed that due to change in the axis of Banda barrage, fresh geological, geotechnical and topographical survey were needed. Topographical survey & geological investigations, drilling has been completed. Report from GSI awaited.

I&WRD, UP has raised the issue of increasing of Pond Level of Banda Barrage from 104.00m to 107.00m in the 13th meeting of TAG held on 13.08.2025. WRD, MP vide letter dated: 11.09.2025 has requested for the data from UP so that issue of submergence can be verified. ACEO (Construction), KBLP- I&WRD, UP informed that they have compiled the has been shared. Joint visit was held on 16.02.2026. Report issued on 02.03.2026.

I&WRD, UP may submit the details of command area, conveyance system so that same can be incorporated in DPR as suggested by CWC in case of Pailani Barrage (meeting dated: 11.11.2025).

After finalisation of Pond Level by I&WRD, UP, all the field data will be submitted to CWC for design and drawing of Banda Barrage. On receipt of design and drawing from CWC, estimate and other chapters will be prepared by NWDA. DPR is likely to be prepared by June, 2026.

II) Pailani Barrage

NWDA has submitted the DPR to I&WRD, UP. I&WRD, UP has submitted the DPR to CWC for Appraisal on 01.07.2025. CWC has finalized the cost of Pailani Barrage at an estimated cost of ₹2444.64 Crore on 08.09.2025.

In a meeting held on 11.11.2025 in CWC, it was decided that the reframed DPR of the Pailani Barrage would be resubmitted by UP for complete Techno-Economic appraisal in CWC. I&WRD, UP intimated that Compliance has been submitted by I&WRD, UP to CWC.

III) DPR for Renovation and Modernisation of Tanks in Mahoba and Enroute:

NWDA has submitted the DPR to I&WRD, UP. I&WRD, UP has submitted the DPR to CWC for Appraisal in May, 2025. Appraisal of the DPR is under process. Compliance is awaited from State of UP. Compliance is awaited from State of UP. I&WRD, UP assured that they will submit the compliance in December, 2025.

IV) DPR for Strengthening/ Repair of Bariyarpur PUW, Parichha Weir, Barwa Sagar Dam etc.

The Irrigation and Water Resources Department, Uttar Pradesh informed that the Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been submitted to the CWC for appraisal in July 2025. Chief Engineer, PAO, CWC informed that there are issues with the proposed Gates in DPR. Details have been sought from project Authorities. Compliance is awaited from State of UP. CWC and UP may take pro-active action.

V) DPR for i) Developing pumping system, pipe distribution network and micro irrigation System from Ken Betwa link canal to serve 17,488 ha of enroute commands of Uttar Pradesh and ii) Development of new command area 37,564 ha in Mahoba district of Uttar Pradesh with pressurized pipe micro irrigation system:

I&WRD, UP has submitted the DPR to CWC for Appraisal in July, 2025. Cost appraisal has been approved by CWC on 26.11.2025. Next stage of approval will be taken in concurrence of the execution work of Ken-Betwa Link Canal by I&WRD, UP.

B. Madhya Pradesh**I) Ken Left Bank Canal of MP:**

WRD, MP has submitted the DPR to CWC 03.10.2025 for Cost Appraisal. The approval of Competent Authority for ₹6,961.56 Cr. (at December, 2025 PL) has been conveyed by CWC on 30.01.2026. CEO, KBLPA requested to share the DPR of this component as it will draw the water from Lower-Level Tunnel for interface purpose. It was agreed that WRD, MP will make a presentation at KBLPA, Bhopal, wherein the matter will be discussed in depth.

II) DPR for Developing pumping irrigation system by lifting water from Daudhan reservoir/initial reach of Link water carrier to serve a part of high-level command (43,678 ha.) of Chhatarpur District of MP.

DPR has been submitted to CWC for appraisal in February,2026.

III) DPR for Patne Bearma Project (in lieu of Panna Hatta LIS)

Screening Committee of CWC has accorded In-Principal Consent to Pre-feasibility Report for preparation of DPR on 06.02.2025 of Patne Bearma Project in lieu of Panna Hatta Lift System. DPR is being prepared by WRD, MP. WRD, MP intimated that field survey and investigation work has been completed. DPR is likely to be completed by March, 2026 and will be submitted to CWC in April, 2026

IV) DPR for developing pumping system, pipe distribution network and micro irrigation system from Ken- Betwa link canal to serve left out area of 42,096 ha. of high-level command & 96,751 ha. enroute command of MP.

DPR has been submitted to CWC for appraisal in February,2026.

V) DPR for augmenting supply to the tanks of MP

DPR of 42 tanks is being prepared by NWDA. Tender for topographical survey of 20 new tanks has been completed. DPRs is likely to be submitted to CWC by March 2026.

8.12 Expenditure during 2025-26

Following is the Budget Estimate 2025-26 allotted, Revised Estimate 2025-26 and expenditure incurred based on the information received from all the stakeholders:-

	Organisations	Head	Budget Head	BE 2025-26	RE 2025-26	Revised RE 2025-26	Expenditure upto 10.03.2026	Likely Expenditure in March, 2026	Total (2025-26)
a	ILR (KBLP)	Grants-in-aid-General	2700.80.190.0 3.01.31	33.00	12.56	12.56	8.59	2.51	11.10
b		Grants-in-aid-Salary	2700.80.190.0 3.01.36	11.00	2.50	2.50	2.11	0.20	2.31
c		Grants for creation of Capital Assets	2700.80.190.0 3.01.35*	925.00	902.42	702.42	268.69	500.86	769.54
d	Grant-in aid to State Govts.	Grants-in-aid-General	3601.06.101.3 8.02.31	26.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
e		Grants for creation of Capital Assets	3601.06.101.3 8.02.35	1405	890.81	890.81	209.58	407.64	617.22
		Total ILR		2400.00	1808.29	1608.29	488.97	911.21	1400.17
*Revised Budget was 902.42 Crore. Rs 200 Crore has been re-appropriated to PMKSY-AIBP and CADWM.									

Following is the likely Expenditure in March, 2026

2700.80.190.03.01.35	Amount
Shifting of Electrical Lines-Deposit Work	4.55
4 th Running Bill of Daudhan including 33KV Line	18.22
5 th Running Bill of Daudhan	10.00
3 rd Running Bill of Daudhan (25%)	3.19
Reimbursement to MP for Phase-II (2023-24=24.57, 2024-25=327.94, 2025-26=112.39 Cr)	464.90
Total	500.86

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3601.06.101.38.02.35	Amount
UP-Renovation of Ken Canal, LA- Link Canal, Jhansi (90:10)	177.47
MP-LA-Tikamgarh, Niwari (90:10)	150.31
MP-Survey & DPR (90:10)	9.66
MP-Lower Orr, Kotha, Bina (60:40)	70.20
Total	407.64

CEO, KBLPA asked all the stakeholders to put all out effort so that allotted budget can be incurred by 31st March, 2026.

8.13 BE for 2026-27 (In Crore Rs):

Following is the allotted budget for Ken Betwa Link Project for the FY 2026-27:

BE 2026-27		In Crore Rs		
Organisations	Head	Budget Head	BE 2026-27	Items/ Works
ILR (KBLP)	Grants-in-aid-General	2700.80.190.03.01.31	20.00	Provision of PMC, Survey& Investigation, Tools &Plants, Running &Maintenance of Offices, Vehicle, Outsourcing, support services, Seminar, Training, Traveling Allowance, Consultancy, Office Expenses, RRT, Information Technology, Swachhata Action Plan, Plantation, PMC, Miscellaneous etc
	Grants-in-aid-Salary	2700.80.190.03.01.36	7.50	Reimbursement of salary-State of UP & MP Salary of CEO, ACEO and Director (F) of KBLPA
	Grants for creation of Capital Assets	2700.80.190.03.01.35	832.20	1. Head Works: Rs. 632.20 Crore 2. Mobilization Advance for Link Canal (Rs. 100 Crore), 3. ILMP, GPLC (Rs. 100 Crore) etc.
Grant-in aid to State Govts.	Grants-in-aid-General	3601.06.101.38.02.31	0.00	
	Grants for creation of Capital Assets	3601.06.101.38.02.35	1046.37	1. Phase -II Projects of MP: Lower Orr, Kotha and Bina Complex 2. Ken LBC of MP 3. Barrages of Uttar Pradesh 4. Renovation of Ken Main Canal of UP 5. Renovation of Tanks of Mahoba, 6. Bariyarpur, Parichha 7. LA, R&R for Link Canal by UP & MP, MP:518.97 Crore, UP: 527.40 Crore
	Total ILR		1906.07	

CEO, KBLPA asked all the stakeholders to plan the activities in such a way that allotted budget can be utilised by 31st March, 2027 without any surrender.

8.14 Reimbursement of Expenditure to KBLPA by Govt. of UP & MPS:

Matter was discussed in the 8th Meeting of Steering Committee held on 18.12.2025 at Bhopal, wherein WRD, MP assured that they will release the 10% State share (MP-71%) to the Ken Betwa Link Project by 31.12.2025. However, no response has been received. I&WRD, UP intimated that they have kept the provision in the Budget Estimate of 2026-27.

WRD-MP further intimated that they are in process to release the State share to KBLPA.

8.15 Work Plan of 2026-27

Based on the input received from various stakeholders, following activities have been planned for execution in 2026-27:-

- Execution of Head Works: Daudhan Dam
- Mobilization Advance for Link Canal : Rs. 100 Crore,
- Work under ILMP, GPLC
- Execution of Phase -II Projects of MP: Lower Orr, Kotha and Bina Complex
- Execution of Ken LBC of MP
- Execution of Barrages of Uttar Pradesh
- Work of Renovation of Ken Main Canal of UP
- Work of Renovation of Tanks of Mahoba, Bariyapur, Parichha
- LA, R&R for Link Canal by UP & MP,

CEO, KBLPA asked all the stakeholders (UP, MP, KBLP, Forest Department, PTR) to submit the monthly Physical and Financial Work Plan of 2026-27, so that the consolidated Work Plan can be submitted to DoWR,RD&GR. Further the progress can also be monitored and utilisation of Budget can be ensured...

8.16 Allowances to the officers attached with KBLPA

As per Gazette Notification of Ken Betwa Link Project (09.02.2022):

- 1.9 The salary of employees working in the offices supporting the KBLPA shall be paid by respective State Governments and NWDA and shall be reimbursed by KBLPA on actual basis annually. The expenses for the running of these offices and the project allowance, as admissible, to the States/ NWDA employees working for KBLPA shall be borne directly by KBLPA.
2. The KBLPA shall frame its own regulation and rules of business as per directions of Steering Committee. It will establish its offices as per work requirement of the KBLP, and approved by the Steering Committee

As per Byelaws (Rules & Regulation) of KBLPA approved by DoWR,RD&GR dated:08.10.2025:

- 2.1.6 "Employee" means any person appointed in Service or posted in connection with the affairs of the KBLPA on deputation/ contract (appointed by MoJS, GOI)/attachment basis but will not include a

casual, part-time employee, Consultant, and employee employed through contractor.

- 2.1.7 "Employee on Deputation" means an employee of some other organization who is deputed for service in the KBLPA after following the due process. It also includes members of the Authority on deputation/ appointed on contract/tenure basis by Ministry of Jal Shakti / attachment basis by NWDA / Govt. of M.P. / Govt. of U.P.
- 3.1.1 Regular employee: Regular employee means "Employee" defined under 2.1.6 and 2.1.7 of these rules.
- 4.1 These Bye Laws (Rules & Regulations) shall apply to employees of KBLPA as defined in para 3.1.1. Unless expressly provided for in these Bye Laws (Rules & Regulations) to the contrary, the terms and conditions of service of KBLPA employees, their pay, increments, leave and leave salary, joining time, travelling and other allowances and other allied matters will, mutatis mutandis, be governed by extant rules of Govt. of India.

10. SALARY

- 10.1 As per the extant rules of the Government of India and the concerned State Government for their employees.
- 10.2 The salary of the employees from State Governments/ NWDA shall be reimbursed by KBLPA to the concerned State Government/ NWDA but the project allowance as admissible will be borne and directly paid by KBLPA. Accordingly, Project allowance for a month due to an employee of State Government/NWDA working for KBLPA shall become payable on the last working day of each month and shall be drawn and credited to his/her authorized bank account by the KBLPA under intimation to the employee through a pay slip showing details of credits, debits and the net amount credited to his/ her bank account.

It was intimated that officials attached from States are raising the issue of Project Allowance time to time, however till now it has not been finalised. CEO, KBLPA asked to take up the matter with DoWR, RD&GR/ in the 9th meeting of Steering Committee.

8.17 Any Other Issue:

Quarterly Meeting of KBLPA shall be convened, so that progress is monitored, issues hampering the progress of project can be discussed and amicable solution can be found out.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.

Annex-I

List of participants of the 8th meeting of Ken-Betwa Link Project Authority (KBLPA) held on 12.02.2026 at 11:30 hrs. at Bhopal

S.N.	Name (Shri/Smt.)	Designation
1	Prashast Kumar Dixit	CEO, KBLPA, Bhopal
2	L. Krishnamoorthy	APCCF (Wildlife), Forest Department, MP
3	Shiva Prakash	ACEO (HQ/P), KBLPA, Lucknow
4	Raj Kumar Mishra	ACEO (HW), KBLPA, Bhopal
5	T.M. Tripathi	ACEO (Canals), KBLPA
6	Devesh Shukla	ACEO (Construction), KBLPA-I&WRD, U.P.
7	Prabhat Kumar Dubey	ACEO (D&P), KBLP, U.P.
8	Shweta Sahu	SDM, Mauranipur, Jhansi
9	R.P Singh Kanwar	Chief Engineer, Dhasan Ken Basin, Sagar, WRD, M.P.
10	Beerendra Kumar Patel	Deputy Director, Panna Tiger Reserve, Panna
11	Ruprao R. Hedao	Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal
12	Santosh Kumar	Executive Engineer, Irrigation Department, U.P.
13	Uma Gupta	Executive Engineer, WRD, Panna, Chhatarpur
14	Mohsin Hasan	Executive Engineer, WRD, Tikamgarh, M.P.
15	Praveen Malviya	Executive Engineer, WRD, Bhopal, M.P.
16	Vivek Mittal	Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Chhatarpur
17	Ram Kishan	Assistant Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal
18	Rajesh Kumar Patel	Assistant Executive Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal
19	Pramod Kumar	Assistant Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal
20	Ankit Kumar	Assistant Engineer, KBLPA, Chhatarpur
21	Gourav Thory	Junior Engineer, KBLPA, Bhopal
22	Pradeep Kumar Saxena	Consultant, KBLPA, Bhopal
23	Amar Singh Nayak	Consultant, KBLPA, Bhopal
24	H.K. Pandey	Consultant, KBLPA, Bhopal
25	Mithlesh Kumar	Team Leader (PMC), Bhopal
26	Shradha Bisht	Environment & Social Specialist, PMC, Bhopal
27	M. Shivkumar	Financial Management Specialist, PMC, Bhopal
28	Adityaa Chaturvedi	Design Engineer Plan & Evaluation, PMC, Bhopal
Participants Through Video Conference (VC)		
S.N.	Name (Shri/Smt.)	Designation
1	Miss Usha Parmar	District Magistrate, Panna
2	Vijay Kumar Dwivedi	SDM, Bijawar, Chhatarpur
3	Vinod Kumar	I/C Director Finance, KBLPA, Bhopal
4	Lalit Kumar Siyaniya	Assistant Engineer, KBLPA, Panna
5	Ashish Swami	Assistant Engineer, KBLPA, Jhansi