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{ CAUSE OF CONCERN } INDIA'S WATER SECURITY

## China plans to build new dam on lower reaches of Brahmaputra

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**BEIJING:** China will build a "super" dam on the lower reaches of the Yarlung Zangbo river close to the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Tibet, a state media report said on Sunday, in a move that could have a farreaching impact on northeast India's water security.

Originating in the Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR), the trans-border Yarlung Zangbo flows into Arunachal Pradesh where it is called Siang and then to Assam as the Brahmaputra before flowing into Bangladesh.

The state media report indicated that the dam could come up in the Medog county of TAR, which is close to Arunachal Pradesh.

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THE DAM, WHICH COULD BE LOCATED NEAR ARUNACHAL PRADESH, WILL BE BUILT WITH FOCUS ON NATIONAL SECURITY

eral smaller dams on the Yarlung Zangbo river.

The new dam's ability to generate hydropower could be three times that of central China's Three Gorges Dam, which has the largest installed hydropower capacity in the world.

The new dam will be built with the focus on maintaining China's national security.

"China will build a hydropower project on the Yarlung Zangbo River, one of the major waters in Asia that also passes through India and Bangladesh...," the state-run tabloid Global Times said in a report on Sunday evening.

Academics have for long pointed to China's strategic advantage over India in terms of international transboundary rivers.

"China has claimed express ownership over Tibet's waters, making it an upstream controller of seven of South Asia's mightiest rivers - the Indus, Ganges, Brahmaputra, Irrawaddy, Salween, Yangtze, and Mekong. These rivers flow into Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Laos and Vietnam, and form the largest river runoff from any single location... Nearly half that water, 48%, runs directly into India," a Lowy Institute report said in July earlier this year.

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{ COMMON EFFLUENT TREATMENT PLANTS } POLLUTED YAMUNA

### Only 3 treatment plants along Yamuna meet standards: Panel

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NEW DELHI: Only three out of the 13 Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) in Delhi, meant to treat industrial effluents before wastewater can be reused or discharged into the Yamuna, meet environmental standards, thus adding to the pollution load in the river, the NGT-appointed Yamuna Monitoring Committee has found.

Expressing concern over the issue, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) panel has asked the Delhi government agencies to take short-term measures to improve the functioning of the plants. Also, it asked them to "explore strategies" to deal with effluents being discharged from non-conforming industrial areas.

On November 19, after chairing a meeting of the Delhi Jal Board, Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal had said that his government was working on a concrete plan to reduce by 90% pollution in the Yamuna river by 2023. The plan includes the use of innovative technology and reuse of treated water.

The National Green Tribunal (NGT)-appointed panel in a recent meeting with officials of the Delhi Pollution Control Com-



A man rows a boat in the heavily polluted waters of the Yamuna at Kalindi Kunj. BIPLOV BHUYAN/HT PHOTO

mittee (DPCC), Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (DSIIDC) and the industries department raised concerns over untreated or partially treated effluents being discharged into the drains that ultimately cause pollution in the Yamuna.

"The capacity utilisation of the 13 CETPs is extremely low. While the total capacity is 212 million litres per day (MLD), only 60-65 MLD is being treated. This is mainly because the plants are not getting enough wastewater with the flow being only around 48-50 MLD," said a member of the committee, who did not wish to be named.

Of the 33 notified industrial clusters in Delhi, which have around 31,000 industrial units within 17 clusters have water polluting units, which are connected to the 13 CETPs. Besides, there is so far no assessment of how many water-polluting industries are there in the unorganised sector such as those running from residential or unplanned industrial areas while most of these have not set

up any effluent treatment plants and discharge wastewater directly into the drains.

The DSIIDC has informed the committee that the pollution caused by different sets of industries must be assessed by segregating them by location and the government departments under whose jurisdiction it falls.

A senior DPCC official, who did not wish to be named said, "A report has been submitted to the committee and we are waiting for further comments."

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The two-member committee comprises former Delhi chief secretary Shailaja Chandra and former NGT expert member BS Saiwan.

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Manoj Misra, convener, Yamuna Jiye Abhiyan, however, said fixing CETPs is not a solution. "All water-polluting industries must have a treatment plant at the site itself or in case of smaller industries, there could be a cluster than can set up one common plant where wastewater is discharged and reuse it after treatment. There must be no discharge into the drains at all," said Misra.

He said during the Covid-19 induced lockdown when all industries were shut, Yamuna was relatively cleaner, proving the impact of the pollution caused by effluents.

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## Pat for state over Centre's water, cleanliness missions

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#### NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 29

Union Minister of State for Jal Shakti Rattan Lal Kataria has praised the Haryana Government for implementing Central schemes, including the Jal Jeevan Mission and Swachh Bharat Mission.

"The Haryana Government has been sincere in synchronising its efforts and administrative goals with those of the Narendra Modi government when it comes to implementation of the welfare policies of the Centre," he said on Saturday.

Kataria represents the Ambala Lok Sabha constituency in Parliament, and is among the senior-most BJP leaders in the state. He is BJP's prominent SC and Backward Caste face.

"Haryana ranks third in the country in implementing the Jal Jeevan Mission. I am sure the state will catapult to the top position by 2022," the minister said.

The Jal Jeevan Mission was launched on August 15, 2019, with the objective of providing every rural household with piped water by 2024.

Kataria also referred to the state's success with regard to the crop diversification programme to boost the agriculture sector and augment farmers' income.

"The crop diversification programme has encouraged the cultivation of maize. It provides Rs 7,000 per hectare to farmers who switch over to maize plantation," the BJP leader said, adding the Centre had appreci-

ated state's intervention.

Kataria, who is also the Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, said the ministry had received a proposal from Haryana for building drug de-addiction centres in all districts, especially those bordering Puniab.

The ministry plans to construct 272 de-addiction centres across the country, including in Haryana.

"I have spoken with Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar regarding the matter," Kataria said.

A team of the ministry will soon visit the states and meet with the authorities concerned to strengthen ameliorative measures, including therapy and rehabilitation of victims of substance abuse.

#### Asian Age 30-November-2020

#### Rains likely in TN, Kerala, coastal AP

Chennai: A well marked low pressure area over the Bay of Bengal is very likely to concentrate into a depression on Monday and bring moderate to heavy and extremely heavy rainfall over Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Kerala and coastal Andhra Pradesh over the next four days, the IMD said. Tamil Nadu Fisheries Minister D. Jayakumar said in view of the forecast, steps have been taken by the government for the safe return of 200 plus Tamil Nadu boats —engaged in deep sea fishing - with the help of Coast Guard. Kerala, Karnataka, Goa and Lakshadweep have been requested to allow Tamil Nadu boats in their fishing harbours and to render them assistance. - PTI

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# China to build major dam on Brahmaputra river

BEIJING

China will build a major hydropower project on Brahmaputra river in Tibet and a proposal for this has been clearly put forward in the 14th Five-Year Plan to be implemented from next year, the official media on Sunday quoted the head of a Chinese company tasked to build the dam as saying.

Yan Zhiyong, chairman of the Power Construction Corp of China, said China will "implement hydropower exploitation in the downstream of the Yarlung Zangbo River" (the Tibetan name for Brahmaputra) and the project could serve to maintain water resources and domestic security, Global Times reported.

Speaking at a conference, Yan said the project was clearly put forward in the proposals for formulating the country's 14th Five-Year Plan (2021-25) and its longterm goals through 2035 made by the Central Committee of the ruling Communist Party of China, it quoted an article on the WeChat account of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League of China on Sunday. "There is no parallel in history... it will be a historic opportunity for the Chinese hydropower industry," he said.

Details of the plan were expected to be released after the formal ratification by National People's Congress early next year. Proposals for dams on the Brahmaputra have evoked concerns in India and Bangladesh, the riparian states. PTI

#### Financial Express 30-November-2020

### ₹5k-crwater supply projects launched in 2 UP districts

PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA Modi launched on Sunday via videoconferencing drinking water projects worth more than ₹5,000 crore for the Mirzapur and Sonbhadra districts of Uttar Pradesh. According to the government, the projects would provide tap water connections in all rural households of 2,995 villages, benefitting about 42 lakh people. The total estimated cost of the projects is ₹5,555.38 crore. Jansatta 30-November-2020

### तिब्बत में ब्रह्मपुत्र पर बांध बनाएगा चीन

बेजिंग, 29 नवंबर (भाषा)।

चीन, तिब्बत में ब्रह्मपुत्र नदी पर एक प्रमुख बांध का निर्माण करेगा और अगले साल से लागू होने वाली 14वीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में इससे संबंधित प्रस्ताव पर विचार किया जा चुका है। चीन की आधिकारिक मीडिया ने बांध बनाने का जिम्मा प्राप्त कर चुकी चीनी कंपनी के प्रमुख के हवाले से यह जानकारी दी है।

'पावर कंस्ट्रक्शन कॉर्पोरेशन ऑफ चाइना' के अध्यक्ष यांग जियोंग ने कहा कि चीन यारलुंग ज़ंग्बो नदी (ब्रह्मपुत्र का तिब्बती नाम) के निचले हिस्से में जलविद्युत उपयोग परियोजना शुरू करेगा। यह परियोजना जल संसाधनों और घरेलू सुरक्षा को मजबूत करने में मददगार हो सकती है। 'ग्लोबल टाइम्स' ने रविवार को 'कम्युनिस्ट यूथ लीग ऑफ चाइना' की केंद्रीय समिति के वी-चैट अकाउंट पर डाले गए लेख का हवाला दिया। इस लेख में यांग ने कहा कि सत्तारूढ़ कम्युनिस्ट पार्टी ऑफ चाइना (सीपीसी) देश की 14वीं पंचवर्षीय योजना (2021-25) तैयार करने के प्रस्तावों में इस परियोजना को शामिल करने और 2035 तक इसके जरिये दीर्घकालिक लक्ष्य हासिल करने पर विचार कर चुकी है। इस योजना के बारे में विस्तृत जानकारी अगले साल नेशनल पीपुल्स कांग्रेस (एनपीसी) द्वारा औपचारिक अनुसमर्थन किए जाने के बाद सामने आने की उम्मीद है।

ब्रह्मपुत्र नदी भारत और बांग्लादेश से होकर गुजरती है। ऐसे में बांध निर्माण के प्रस्ताव से दोनों देशों की चिताएं बढ़ गई हैं। हालांकि चीन ने इन चिताओं को खारिज करते हुए कहा है कि वह उनके हितों को भी ध्यान में रखेगा।