

CWMA Orders Karnataka to Release 3,500 Cusecs of Cauvery Water to TN

The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) ordered Karnataka to release 3,500 cusecs of water daily to Tamil Nadu.

The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) is a statutory body established to implement the final allocation award of Cauvery waters among basin states.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Cauvery Water Management Authority** (CWMA) ordered **Karnataka** to release **3,500 cusecs** of water daily to Tamil Nadu.
- The directive was issued during the CWMA meeting to meet the irrigation requirements of farmers in the **Cauvery delta** region.
- Following the order, Karnataka announced an all-party meeting in **Bengaluru** to discuss legal options.
- The **Cauvery Water Regulation Committee** (CWRC) assists the CWMA by monitoring daily reservoir storage and river flow levels.
- Directions of the CWMA are binding on the basin states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, and **Puducherry**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

Article 262 of the Indian Constitution grants Parliament the authority to enact laws for adjudicating inter-state river water disputes.

The Parliament enacted the **Inter-State River Water Disputes Act** in **1956** under the provisions of Article 262.

The Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDT) was established on **June 2, 1990** under the chairmanship of Justice **Chittatosh Mookerjee**.

The Supreme Court delivered its final judgement on the Cauvery water dispute on **February 16, 2018**, allocating **177.25 TMC** to Tamil Nadu.

The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) was officially constituted on **June 1, 2018** by the Central Government.

River Cauvery originates at **Talakaveri** in the **Brahmagiri Range** of the Western Ghats in Kodagu district of Karnataka.

Bhavani, Noyyal, and **Amaravathi** are the major right-bank tributaries of River Cauvery flowing through Tamil Nadu.

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CWMA was constituted on June 1, 2018 under Article 262 and the Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956.

Syllabus Relevance: Unit 3 (Geography - Rivers), Unit 5 (Polity - Art 262), Unit 9 (TN Administration)

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