

CWRC recommends Cauvery water release; Karnataka government to evaluate

The Cauvery Water Regulatory Committee (CWRC) recommended releasing Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu.

Inter-state water sharing mechanism under the Cauvery Water Management Authority framework.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Cauvery Water Regulatory Committee** (CWRC) recommended releasing Cauvery water to **Tamil Nadu**.
- **Karnataka** ministers **Santosh Lad** and **Ajay Singh** stated that the proposal will be reviewed before making a decision.
- The final decision on water release will be evaluated by Karnataka's **Chief Minister** and the **Water Resources Minister**.
- The CWRC recommendation is made during periodic water level assessments in **Cauvery basin** reservoirs.
- Tamil Nadu depends on Cauvery water releases to maintain storage in **Mettur Reservoir** for agricultural needs.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (**CWDT**) was constituted by the Central Government on **June 2, 1990**.

The final award of CWDT in **2007** allocated **419 TMC** water annually to Tamil Nadu.

The **Supreme Court** in **February 2018** modified the award, allocating **177.25 TMC** water annually to Tamil Nadu.

CWMA and CWRC were constituted in **June 2018** under **Section 6A** of Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, **1956**.

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

Mettur Dam (Stanley Reservoir) in **Salem** district was opened across River Cauvery in **1934**.

Major right-bank tributaries of Cauvery include **Bhavani**, **Noyyal**, Amaravati, Kabini, and Suvarnavati.

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Syllabus Relevance: High relevance for Unit 3 (Geography) and Unit 9 (TN Administration) on inter-state water issues.

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