Cauvery Dispute: TN Claims 20 TMC Deficit in Supreme Court

The Supreme Court sought Karnataka's response on Tamil Nadu's plea claiming a 20 TMC water deficit.

An ongoing inter-state river water sharing dispute between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka over the Cauvery river.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Supreme Court** bench was headed by **Justice Vikram Nath**.
- **Tamil Nadu** filed a plea claiming a shortfall of **20 TMC** of Cauvery water.
- **Karnataka** argued that many of its districts are facing severe **drought** conditions.
- The Supreme Court directed **Karnataka** to file its response within **one week**.
- The apex court scheduled the next hearing of the case for **October 12, 2026**.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

Article 262 of the Indian Constitution deals with the adjudication of disputes relating to waters of inter-state rivers or river valleys.

Under Article 262, Parliament enacted the **Inter-State Water Disputes Act** in **1956**.

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

The CWDT delivered its final order on **February 5, 2007**, allocating **419 TMC** of water to Tamil Nadu annually.

In **February 2018**, the Supreme Court reduced Tamil Nadu's share to **177.25 TMC** from the earlier allocated 192 TMC.

The **Cauvery Water Management Authority** (CWMA) was constituted in **June 2018** to implement the Supreme Court's decision.

The Cauvery River originates at **Talakaveri** in the **Brahmagiri range** of the Western Ghats in Karnataka.

The total length of the Cauvery river is approximately **800 km**, and it is often referred to as the '**Dakshin Ganga**'.

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Article 262 governs inter-state water disputes; Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) was constituted in June 2018.

Syllabus Relevance: High relevance for questions on inter-state water disputes, Article 262, and Cauvery river geography.

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