

## Inter State Projects

There is only one major project that is new in Himachal and which has inter State aspects, viz., the Shahnagar inter State with the Punjab. This is included in the Seventh Plan.

### *Research Agenda For Water Laws in H.P.*

1. Flood Control. A major consequence of tampering with the natural flow of water, as witnessed in a devastating way this year, is floods. Loss of crores of rupees of property and hundreds of lives have been reported so far. The Sixth Plan's investment in flood control was Rs. 1045 crores. This, however, did not decrease the menace in H.P. In the light of this, the following research issues become important.
  - o An analysis of water conservation legislation for the protection of the watersheds of river catchments.
  - o Flood plain zoning through law to regulate land use in flood-prone areas.
  - o Legal measures for disaster management.
  - o A Legal framework for rehabilitation and compensation for flood-affected people.
  - o A Legal framework for accountable flood relief measures.
  - o Analysis of legal problems involved in inter State watershed management.
2. Access to potable water for irrigation and drinking purposes in the rural areas as a component of the constitutional right to life and liberty.
3. Legal framework for large, medium, and minor hydroelectric and irrigation works in terms of the rights of the people and the State to use alternative technologies, rights of the local people over water as a resource (tanks, streams, wells, tubewells), and rights over water resources (electricity, fish, etc.)
4. Legal management of the exploitation of groundwater, in terms of restrictions, liabilities, taxes, licensing, etc.

Table 14: Ongoing and New Schemes during the Sixth Plan

(Rupees in Crores)

S.No.	Names of Projects	Plan in which started	Latest est. cost	Exptr. up to end of Sixth Plan	7th plan outlay	Act. Exp. in 85/86	Ant. Exp. 86/87	Outlay 1987/88	Util.Pot. of 6th Plan	Pot. Util. 1985	Pot. Util. 1986	Pot. Util. 1987	Pot. Util. 1987/88	Full target benefits 1986	1987	Pot. Util. target 1987	Pot. Util. target 1988
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
I. On going Schemes																	
A. Major Projects																	
B. Medium Projects																	
1.	Bath Valley	VI	5.00	1.17	3.83	0.94	1.05	1.07	2.40	0.20	-	0.20	-	0.42	-	Details not given by State.	
II. New Schemes of VII Plan																	
A. Major																	
1.	Shubhar Project (SI/39.30 crores Rs. total cost)		9.03 (H.P. Share)	0.41	8.00	0.40	0.41	0.50		NA	NA		NA			-	
B. Medium																	
1.	Bhabour Sahib Lift Irrgn. Scheme (Ph. II)		3.00		0.45	-	0.01	0.05	2.60	-	-	-	-	0.42	-	-	
2.	Kirpal Chand Khul		3.10		0.45	-	-	0.02	NA				NA			-	
3.	Changer Area Irrgn.		3.90		0.47	-	0.10	0.03	NA	NA			NA			-	
III. Survey & Investigation																	
IV. Projects for which no outlay is provided in VII plan																	
1.	Surviri River Project		Not known	-	-	-	-	-	3.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.	Charu Lift Irrgn. Project		-	-	-	-	0.005	-	2.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Phasing Project		-	-	-	-	0.005	-						0.42			
4.	LIS Bargain Project		-	-	-	-	0.005	-									
5.	Beat Illaqua Project		-	-	-	0.0008		-									
6.	Giri Irrigation Project		-	-	-	0.10	0.05	-									
7.	Bhabori Sahib Phase - I		-	-	0.005	-	-	-									
Total Irrigation					13.50	1.47	1.65	1.70	10.30	6.30	4.10	-	0.200.20	0.42	0.20	0.42	-

5. A legal framework for local self-government (*panchayats*) in the management of water resources such as tanks, streams, wells, and tubewells.
6. A legal framework for large dam constructions and dam safety, including issues of inter-State financing, Centre-State relations, rights of the people to rehabilitation and compensation, and legal issues relating to the submergence of forests.
7. A legal framework for role of the non-government organisations, local communities, societies, and cooperatives in the management of water resources.