

# Uproar in Rajasthan House over canal project with MP

## MoU Was Signed Between Centre & MP-Raj On Sunday

**Jaipur:** The Rajasthan Assembly on Tuesday witnessed uproar over the MoU on the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project as the opposition Congress raised slogans expressing dissatisfaction with the state government's statement. The proceedings of the House had to be adjourned twice for 20 minutes each due to the uproar by the Congress MLAs.

Earlier on Sunday, a tripartite MoU was signed between the Centre and the Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh governments in New Delhi for preparing a Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project (ERCP).

Responding to a discussion on this issue, the Rajasthan government assured that the state would get ample water as a result of the agreement.

Water Resources Minister Suresh Singh Rawat alleged that the previous Congress government did not make any meaningful efforts to implement this scheme during its tenure. Rawat said that an agreement was signed on January 28 to give shape to the modified Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal (PKC) link



File photo of (L to R) CM Mohan Yadav with Union minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat and Rajasthan CM Bhajan Lal Sharma as they sign the MoU

scheme.

He added that this MoU would be the dawn of a golden era for both Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh.

Rawat said the scheme will prove to be a milestone for the all-round development of the state. On behalf of the government, Agriculture Minister Kirodi Lal Meena said that the previous Congress government could not get the consent of Madhya Pradesh for this project.

He said that Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma and his Madhya

Pradesh counterpart Mohan Yadav have now given their consent to this project. The opposition has a problem with the works done by the "double engine" government, Meena added.

"Abundant water will be available. According to the figures that I have given, 2.80 lakh hectares of land will be irrigated. Industries and farmers will develop," he said. Participating in the discussion earlier, Congress MLA Murari Lal Meena said that the government should tell how much water Rajasthan will get under the new agreement. PTI