

Bagmati-Budhi Gandak River Interlinking Project

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Why in News?

Recently, Belwa-Minapur Link Channel (Belwadhar), part of the Bagmati-Budhi Gandak River Interlinking Project was inaugurated.

Project Overview

- **Bagmati-Budhi Gandak River interlinking project** - Bihar's 1st river-linking project, an intrastate initiative in Bihar aimed at mitigating catastrophic monsoon floods in North Bihar.
- **Belwa-Minapur Link Channel Route** - Part of the Bagmati Flood Management Project.
- Route starts from Belwa Ghat (Sheohar district, Pipra block) to Minapur (Muzaffarpur district).
- **Function** - Diverts surplus water from **Bagmati River** to **Budhi Gandak River** to manage excess floodwater.
- **Flood Management** - Reduce flood intensity in Sheohar, Muzaffarpur, East Champaran.
- **Benefits** - Enhance irrigation capacity, boost agricultural productivity, encourage fisheries and improves groundwater levels.

Irrigation Coverage by District

- **Sheohar District** - Piprahi, Dumri Katsari, Tariyani, Sheohar blocks.
- **Muzaffarpur District** - Minapur, Gaighat, Chhoncha, Bandara, Mushari.

- **East Champaran** - Patahi, Phenhara, Tetariya, Madhuban, Pakadiyal blocks.
- **Samastipur** - Kalyanpur block.

Reference

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