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# Parambikulam dam

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**Why is in news?** Damage to Parambikulam dam's shutter sparks safety concerns

Parambikulam Dam is an embankment dam on the **Parambikulam River**, Parambikulam located **in the Palakkad district in the Western Ghats of Kerala**.

This Dam was **built at the time of Kamarajar**. This is one of the Major irrigation schemes were planned in Kamaraj's period.

The dam is **operated and maintained by Tamil Nadu** but the **ownership rests with Kerala**.

The **Parambikulam wildlife sanctuary** is situated around the river Parambikulam. Also the **Sholayar and the Thekkedy** are the rivers passes through the sanctuary.

As per the agreement with Tamil Nadu, Kerala was supposed to receive 7.25 TMC feet of water per year from the **Parambikulam-Aliyar Project** of which the Parambikulam Dam is a part.

In 2004, Kerala did not receive any water after February 10, resulting in the drying up of paddy in thousands of acres in Chittur taluk.

Since this agreement has still not been met as of July 2006, Kerala Water Resources Minister has called for a review of the project agreement.

On **17 October 2012**, Kerala and Tamil Nadu **reached an accord on Parambikulam-Aliyar water**.

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