

Netravati River

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Netravati River Latest News

Continuous rainfall in Dakshina Kannada district has led to an increase in the water level of the Nethravathi River, prompting precautionary evacuations of people from low-lying areas.

About Netravati River

- It is a major **west-flowing river** in **Karnataka**.
- **Often referred to as the lifeline of Dakshina Kannada, the river is essential for the region's sustainability.**
- **Course:**
 - It **originates** in the Bangrabalige Valley of Yelaneeru Ghat in the Kudremukha range of the **Western Ghats in Karnataka**.
 - It begins its journey from an elevation of about 1,300 meters in **Chikkamagaluru district**, Karnataka.

- As it moves forward, the Netravati **merges with its major tributary**, the **Kumaradhara River**, at Uppinangadi.
- Netravati flows from Uppinangadi and **enters the city of Mangalore**, where it then **joins the Arabian Sea**.
- The **total length** of the Netravati is **103 km** from its source to the outfall.
- The river drains an area of 3,657 sq.km.
- The **climate** of the basin is characterized by **heavy rainfall, high humidity**, and **oppressive weather in the hot season**.
- **During the monsoon** season, the river experiences **heavy flooding**.
- It is a major **source of water** to the cities of **Bantwal and Mangalore**.
- The town of Bantwal was located on its banks, and thus the Netravati River **was called the Bantwal River** in the last century.
- Along its course, the Netravati also **flows through** the popular pilgrim place **called Dharmasthala**.
- Tributaries:
 - **Kumaradhara River**
 - **Mrithyunjaya River** (Charmadi Hole)
 - Kapila River (Shishila River)
 - Aniyoor River
 - **Somavathi River** (Laila River)
 - Kaniyoor River
 - Gundya River (Kempu Hole)

Netravati River FAQs

Q1. Is Netravati a west flowing river?

Ans. It is a major west-flowing river in Karnataka.

Q2. The Netravati River originates from which mountain range?

Ans. Western Ghats (Kudremukha Range)

Q3. Which river is Kumaradhara a tributary of?

Ans. It is a major tributary of the Netravati River.

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