

Malwa Canal Project

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About Malwa Canal Project:

- It is a planned irrigation and water management project in **Punjab**, India.
- It is the **first of its kind** to be constructed **in Punjab since independence**.
- Estimated to cost **Rs 2,300 crore**, the canal will **originate from the Harike headworks on the Sutlej** in Ferozepur district.
- It will tail off at Warring Khara village in Muktsar district, close to the border with Haryana, and will **flow parallel to the Sirhind Feeder and Rajasthan Feeder canals**, to the latter's east.
- The canal will be 149 km long, 50 feet wide, and 12.6 feet deep.
- It will carry 2,000 cusecs of water (A cusec is flow equivalent to 1 cubic foot per second.)
- It is designed to cater to the **irrigation needs of nearly 2 lakh acres in southern Punjab**, running **parallel to the left bank of the Rajasthan Feeder Canal**.

Q1: Which are the main tributaries of the Sutlej River?

It has many tributaries, with Baspa, Spiti, Nogli Khad, and Soan River being its main ones. Water from the Sutlej River has been allocated to India according to the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960.

Source: 1.30 lakh trees face axe for Malwa Canal Project

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