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Master plan to make proper use of river waters likely

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Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister T.B. Jayachandra on Thursday said that the government is mulling formulating a master plan to utilise properly the State's share of water in various rivers.

Addressing a news conference here, he said that the proposed master plan would include river waters allotted to the State and use of water for irrigation and drinking purposes.

The State has been allocated 23 tmcft of water in the Godavari and that water is yet to be utilised.

The government would in two months decide whether to engage new advocates in the Supreme Court in connection with various river waters dispute.

The Opposition parties would be taken into confidence as far as disputes over sharing of the Cauvery, the Krishna and the Godavari waters is concerned, he said.

Public prosecutors

He said that 60 public prosecutors were working in the State and the performance of many of them was not up to the mark. A major change was required and new professionals would be appointed.