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## **CM to commission major water project on June 11**

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*It will serve people in three districts: Minister*

RAMANATHAPURAM: Chief Minister M. Karunanidhi would commission the Ramanathapuram Combined Drinking Water Project here on June 11, said S. Thangavelan, Minister for Slum Clearance and Accommodation Control, here on Tuesday.

Deputy Chief Minister M.K. Stalin would dedicate the project implemented at a cost of Rs. 618 crore to the people.

The project, for which foundation stone was laid on January 30, 2007 at Paramakudi, had been completed within a record time. It was completed in accordance with the direction given by the Chief Minister to complete the project as early as possible.

Mr. Thangavelan said that the project would bring great relief to the people of Ramanathapuram district, who were struggling with the drinking water crisis for many decades.

It would meet the drinking water needs of five municipalities, 11 town panchayats and 3,163 hamlets of Ramanathapuram, Sivaganga and Pudukottai districts.

As many as 16 lakh people would stand to benefit from the project.