Several forums (see for example, Acharrya 2003), have already discussed the likely adverse effects of interlinking of rivers on ecology, human and wildlife habitat, river dynamics, and hydrological balance. One wonders how disastrous the net effect of 'interlinking' would be, if the geomorphic changes outlined above add to these problems.

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A monograph on the Cretaceous system in the Makaraov area, southern Sakhalin, Russian Far East brought out by National Science Museum, Tokyo, Japan has been received in the Geological Society of India's library.

The continuous sections in the Makarov area, which include numerous well preserved fossils ranging in age from the Santonian to Maastrichtian, may provide an important key for the establishment of a precise biostratigraphic framework for the Cretaceous in the western Pacific region, including Japan and Far Eastern Russia. The monograph includes three research papers starting with detailed historical review of research conducted on the Yezo Group in Sakhalin with over 200 references, may

help readers in understanding the rationale for the design of the various aspects of future research of Yezo Group. The second paper gives the stratigraphy and fossil assemblages of Upper Cretaceous System (Yezo Group) in the Makarov area, southern Sakhalin. The last paper consists of Maastrichtian ammonoid fauna from the Pugachev area, southern Sakhalin.

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