



Mr. Gerin-Lajoie viewing the Idikki Arch Dam. Located on the western side of the Nilgiris, in Kerala, the project is changing the face of the Periyar Valley. With an installed capacity of 780MW (for peaking), Idikki will be the biggest hydro-electric scheme in South India. The 560 feet high arch dam will be the first arch dam in India and the highest in Asia, over three times the height of Niagara Falls. Besides cheap power, the project will irrigate 150,000 acres via canals downstream.