

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2130
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Monitoring air quality in village

2130. SHRI BRIJLAL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether after cities, Government proposes to monitor the air quality in villages too and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken for the same;
- (b) the villages of the State of Uttar Pradesh selected for the said purpose;
- (c) the parameters of the scheme for installation of air quality monitoring sensors in the village; and
- (d) by when the work of installing sensors in villages especially in the villages of Uttar Pradesh will be completed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) to (d)

Air Pollution is primarily a urban phenomenon. Therefore, government is focusing on monitoring of ambient air quality in the urban areas. Accordingly, 1243 monitoring stations covering 465 cities in 28 states and 07 UTs have been established. 24 monitoring stations in rural areas of Punjab and 02 monitoring stations in Daman & Diu & Dadra & Nagar Haveli have been established on experiment basis. In addition, 17 new Monitoring stations in rural areas in State of Himachal Pradesh (5), Kerala (2), Mizoram (5), Odisha (2), Tripura (1), Uttar Pradesh (2) have been sanctioned in Financial Year 2021-22.
