

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA
REJUVENATION
RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2960

ANSWERED ON 27.03.2023

CLEANLINESS AND DEVELOPMENT DRIVE FOR RIVERS

2960. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that North-Eastern Region is blessed with many rivers particularly in Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the name of the rivers which have been identified for cleanliness and development drive during the last one year;
- (c) the details of works undertaken under the said project, along with the river-wise details of funds allocated and utilized respectively, till date;
- (d) whether Brahmaputra river has been included under the said project, if so, the funds allocated and utilized respectively for the cleanliness of Brahmaputra river; and
- (e) if so, by when Brahmaputra river is proposed to be included under the said project?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) & (b) The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) in association with State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) in different States/Union Territories (UTs) have been monitoring the water quality of rivers and other water bodies across the country through a network of monitoring stations under the National Water Quality Monitoring Programme. As per the last report published by CPCB in November 2022, 311 polluted stretches were identified on 279 rivers in the country based on monitoring results in terms of Bio-chemical Oxygen Demand (BOD), an indicator of organic pollution. The report also mentions that 160 rivers in North-Eastern Region (NER), including 60 rivers in Assam, were taken up under this programme. This report shows that there are 10 polluted river stretches in Assam and no polluted stretch identified on the river Brahmaputra. List of polluted river stretches identified in North-Eastern Region is at **Annexure-I**.

(c) Water is a State subject and it is the responsibility of the States/UTs to ensure the cleanliness and development of rivers within their jurisdiction. Cleaning of rivers is a continuous process and Government of India is supplementing the efforts of the State/UT Governments by providing financial and technical assistance in addressing the challenges of pollution of rivers. Under the Centrally

Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP), projects for pollution abatement of rivers (excluding Ganga and its tributaries) are sanctioned on cost sharing basis between the Central and State/UT Governments for taking up various pollution abatement works such as interception & diversion of raw sewage, construction of sewerage system, setting up sewage treatment plant (STP), low cost sanitation, river front/bathing ghat development, cleanliness drive through public awareness and participation, etc. Proposals received from the States/UTs are considered under NRCP subject to conformity with NRCP guidelines and availability of plan funds. Details of projects sanctioned and funds allocated under NRCP in North-Eastern Region, till date is at **Annexure-II**.

(d) & (e) Doesn't arise in view of the fact that there are no polluted stretch identified on the river Brahmaputra.

ANNEXURE I**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2960 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 27.03.2023 REGARDING 'CLEANLINES AND DEVELOPMENT DRIVE FOR RIVERS'****Polluted River Stretches in North Eastern Region (NER) identified by CPCB in 2022**

S No	STATE NAME	S No	RIVER NAME	POLLUTED RIVER STRETCH/ LOCATION	Max BOD Observed	Priority Class
1	ASSAM	1.	BHARALU	ALONG ULUBARI	76.0	I
		2.	BEGA	ALONG MANGALDOI	3.9	V
		3.	BURHIDIHING	ALONG MARGHERITA	3.6	V
		4.	DHANSIRI	ALONG BOKAJAN AND NUMALIGARH	3.5	V
		5.	DIGBOI	IOCL OIL TOWN TO LAKHIPATHAR RESERVE FOREST	5.2	V
		6.	KHARSANG	ALONG KHARSANG	3.3	V
		7.	KULSI	ALONG CHAYGAON	3.2	V
		8.	MORA BHARALI	ALONG MORA BHARALI	3.6	V
		9.	PAGLDIA	ALONG NALBARI TOWN	3.4	V
		10.	TOCKLAI	ALONG KUMAR KAIBARTA GAON	4.8	V
2	MANIPUR	11.	IMPHAL	SEKMAI TO SAMUROU	6.9	IV
		12.	NAMBUL	SINGDA DAM TO BISHNUPUR	7.0	IV
		13.	BARAK	TAMENGLONG TO SENAPATI	4.6	V
		14.	CHAKPI	ALONG CHAKPIKARONG	3.3	V
		15.	IRIL	KANGLA SIPHAI TO LILONG	5.3	V
		16.	KHUGA	KHUGA LAKE TO CHURACHANDPUR	4.4	V
		17.	KHUJAIROK	ALONG MOREH	4.2	V
		18.	LOKCHAO	ALONG BISHNUPUR	4.4	V
		19.	MAHA	ALONG CHANDEL	4.7	V
		20.	MANIPUR	WANGJING TO HEIROK	4.1	V
		21.	SEKMAI	ALONG KAKCHING	3.8	V
		22.	THOUBAL	LILTAN TO PHADOM	4.9	V
		23.	WANGJING	WANGJING TO HEIROK	4.4	V
3	MEGHALAYA	24.	UMKHRAH	ALONG SHILLONG	56.0	I
		25.	UMSHYRPI	DHANKETI TO HARISAVA	44.0	I
		26.	MYNTDU	ALONG JOWAI	6.5	IV
		27.	KYRHUKHLA	ALONG KHLIERIAT	5.5	V
		28.	LUKHA	ALONG MYNDIHATI	5.5	V
		29.	NONBAH	ALONG NONGSTOIN	5.6	V
		30.	UMTREW	UMRAN TO BYRNIHAT	5.8	V
4	MIZORAM	31.	LAWBUAL	ALONG LAWIBUAL	6.2	IV
		32.	TUIKUAL	ALONG DINTHAR	6.4	IV
		33.	CHITHE	ALONG ARMED VENG	5.9	V
5	NAGALAND	34.	DHANSIRI	ALONG DHANSIRI AND ALONG DIMAPUR	18.0	III
		35.	DZU	ALONG KOHIMA	3.5	V
		36.	DZUNA	ALONG KOHIMA	3.5	V
		37.	SANO	ALONG KOHIMA	3.8	V
6	TRIPURA	38.	HAORA	ALONG AGARTALA	3.8	V

ANNEXURE-II**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2960 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 27.03.2023 ON 'CLEANLINESS AND DEVELOPMENT DRIVE FOR RIVERS'****Details of projects sanctioned and funds allocated in North-Eastern Region by the Government under NRCP till date**

(Rs. in crore)

S. No.	State	Towns Covered	Rivers covered	Sanctioned Cost	Expenditure	Components
1	Manipur	Imphal	Nambul	97.72	68.00	STP, Sewerage network, Low cost sanitation, Public awareness and public participation, Afforestation, RFD, etc.
2	Nagaland	Dimapur	Dipu & Dhansiri	78.65	54.50	STP, Sewerage network, Low cost sanitation, Public awareness and participation
3	Sikkim	Gangtok	Rani Chu	358.88	95.10	STP, Sewerage network, Low cost sanitation, Public awareness and public participation, etc
		Ranipool	Rani Chu	5.90	5.90	Interception & Diversion
		Singtom	Rani Chu	6.33	6.33	Interception & Diversion
		Mangan	Tista	91.94	2.50	STP, Sewerage network and Public awareness & public participation, etc.
		Chungthang	Teesta	17.24	0.00	STP, Sewerage network, etc.
		Geyzing	Rangit	88.80	1.25	STP, Sewerage network and Public awareness & public participation, etc.
Total				745.46	233.58	
