

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3610

ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023

**WATER QUALITY IN RIVER KRISHNA BASIN, KARNATAKA**

3610. SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that River Krishna stretch from Yadurwadi to Zunjarwadi is identified as Polluted River Stretch (PRS), if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether River Krishna stretch from Tamadaddi to Chikkapadasalagi is identified as PRS, if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether River Malaprabha stretch from Khanapur to Ramdurg is identified as PRS, if so, details thereof;
- (d) whether River Kagina stretch from Shahabad to Hongunta is identified as PRS, if so, details thereof;
- (e) whether River Bhima stretch from Ganagapur to Yadgir is identified as PRS, if so, details thereof; and
- (f) the target date to restore water quality in the above five PRS?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) to (e) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) in association with State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) in different States/Union Territories (UTs) has 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 (NWMP). Based on the water quality monitoring results, pollution assessment of rivers is carried out by CPCB from time to time. As per the last report published by CPCB in November 2022, 311 polluted river stretches were identified on 279 rivers based on monitoring results in terms of Bio-chemical Oxygen Demand, an indicator of organic pollution. The details of polluted river stretches identified on rivers namely Krishna, Kagina, and Bhima in Karnataka are given below:

S. No.	State	River	Polluted river stretch/ Location	Max BOD observed in milligram per litre (mg/l)	Priority
1	Karnataka	Krishna	Along Ugarkhurd, Alamatti to Tintani, along Devasagar	4.7	V
2		Kagina	Along Gola K	3.1	V
3		Bhima	Ganagapur to Yadgir	4.0	V

The polluted stretch from Khanapur to Ramdurg on river Malaprabha that figured in the previous CPCB report published in September, 2018 has been delisted from the latest report of polluted river stretches.

(f) There is no provision for fixing dates for restoring water quality in these PRS as mentioned above in the reply.

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