GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 111 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2024

Rejuvenation of major rivers in the country

111. SHRI ANIL KUMAR YADAV MANDADI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has prepared DPRs for rejuvenation of 13 major rivers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of rivers identified from the State of Telangana;
- (c) the details of components under which the above DPRs of identified rivers are going to be taken up; and
- (d) the expected date and time by when the proposed works are going to be executed particularly in the State of Telangana?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b), (c) & (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 111 ON 'REJUVENATION OF MAJOR RIVERS IN THE COUNTRY' DUE FOR REPLY ON 05.12.2024

- (a) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), through the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun, an autonomous body of the Ministry, has prepared Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for the rejuvenation of thirteen major rivers through forestry interventions. These rivers include the Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas, Sutlej, Yamuna, Brahmaputra, Luni, Narmada, Godavari, Mahanadi, Krishna, and Cauvery.
- (b) Two rivers namely Krishna and Godavari have been identified from the state of Telangana and DPRs for rejuvenation of these rivers through forestry interventions have been prepared.
- (c) The details of components under which the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the Rivers Krishna and Godavari were prepared are as under:
 - i. Implementations of forestry interventions.
 - ii. Strengthening knowledge management and national capacity for forestry interventions and conservation of riverscapes.
 - iii. Maintenance phase including scaling up and replication of successful models.
 - iv. National coordination for forestry interventions and river conservation.
- (d) The DPRs have been sent to concerned State Governments by the MoEF&CC in June 2022 for implementation. The works proposed under the DPRs are to be implemented by the State Forest Department together with the concerned Departments such as Agriculture & Horticulture, Urban Municipal Bodies, and Department of Rural Development etc. In this regard the States/UTs have been requested to take necessary steps for implementation of the DPRs by dovetailing with the on-going afforestation schemes like National Mission for a Green India (GIM), Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and other respective line Departments for effective implementation and to avoid any duplication of works.
