

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 740

ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025

**DISCHARGE OF UNTREATED, POLLUTED WATER INTO GANGA AND YAMUNA RIVER IN
PRAYAGRAJ**

740. # SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK

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

- (a) whether polluted and untreated water is directly being discharged into Ganga and Yamuna river through drains in Prayagraj, if so, the reason therefor; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Central Government in collaboration with the State Government to ensure that the polluted water of the city and villages is not discharged into the Ganga and Yamuna river during the Maha Kumbh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) No. The polluted and untreated water is not discharged into the river Ganga or Yamuna through drains in Prayagraj.

(b) The National Mission for Clean Ganga has taken the following major steps:

1. Provided part financial assistance and sanctioned a project for remediation of untapped Drains during Maha Kumbh 2025 at Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh under Namami Gange Mission -2 to prevent the discharge of untapped drains into the river Ganga or Yamuna;
2. Provided financial assistance and sanctioned proposal for Sanitation infrastructure for Maha Kumbh 2025 at Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh under Namami Gange Mission-2 for providing 48,100 nos. of toilets & urinals and 20,000 nos. solid waste bins along with liner bags;
3. Issued an 'Advisory' to the concerned stakeholders to ensure continuous and unhindered operations of the sewage treatment plants and sanitation infrastructure and to comply with the applicable discharge standards.
