

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1683

ANSWERED ON 03.08.2026

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS IN WEST BENGAL

1683 Shri BISWAJIT SINHA (RAHUL SINHA):

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) number of STPs sanctioned, under-construction and operational in West Bengal under Namami Gange, sewage treatment capacity created versus total sewage generated daily in Ganga-bank towns and whether West Bengal has the lowest STP progress among all States;
- (b) total funds released and utilised by West Bengal under Namami Gange for STPs, whether land non-availability has been cited as the primary reason for delays despite 100 per cent Central funding and whether West Bengal has been directed to formulate a land purchase policy; and
- (c) volume of untreated sewage entering the Ganga daily from West Bengal, whether this is undermining water quality gains in upstream States?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (c) Under the Namami Gange Programme (NGP), for the State of West Bengal, a total of 34 projects at an estimated cost of Rs.5,029 crores have been sanctioned towards creation of 816 MLD treatment capacity. A total of 18 projects with cumulative treatment capacity of 559 MLD have been completed.

The sewage generation in Ganga towns of West Bengal is estimated to be 2,758 MLD, against which 2,079 MLD (including 559 MLD capacity created under Namami Gange) treatment capacity exists.

(b) The details of funds released for implementation of STP projects in the State of West Bengal under the Namami Gange Programme from financial year (FY) 2014-15 to 30th June 2026 are as under:

Rs. in crore

Beneficiary Agency	Purpose/Objective	Total
State Mission for Clean Ganga-West Bengal	Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, River Front Development, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities	1,376.03
Concessionaire of Howrah, Bally & Baranagar, North Barrackpore & Garden Reach Projects.	Sewerage Treatment Projects on Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Mode	774.09
Total		2,150.12

Due to non-availability of suitable land parcels etc. for the proposed STPs, the DPRs for certain Ganga-bank towns have not been submitted by the State Government. The National Mission for Clean Ganga has requested the State Government through various communications to expedite the submission of DPRs for STPs towards saturation of Ganga main towns.
