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

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CLEAN GANGA CAMPAIGN

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the stretches of the river Ganga targeted to be cleaned completely under the Clean Ganga Campaign;
- (b) whether the States through which this river passes are fully cooperating and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (c) the names of the States to which priority is being given under the Clean Ganga Campaign and the reasons for the same;
- (d) the quantum of total funds spent on machines to clean Ganga and the extent to which the work of cleaning of the above river speeded up with such machines; and
- (e) the time-frame prescribed for cleaning of the river Ganga from Haridwar to Banaras and the success achieved so far therein and the time by which the remaining work will be completed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

- (a) & (b) Yes Madam, the entire Ganga River is targeted under the Namami Gange programme. All the States through which River Ganga passes are fully cooperating with the Central Government in its efforts to clean the river Ganga.
- (c) The Government is according equal priority to all the participating States.
- (d) No Funds has been spent directly by National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) till date on deployment of machines for River Surface Cleaning of Ganga. The machines were deployed by Engineers India Limited (EIL) under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) fund of various organisation.
- (e) 25 projects are sanctioned between Haridwar to Varanasi till date at an estimated cost of Rs 2706.55 Crore. These includes 15 projects related to sewage and sanitation and 10 projects on development of river front. Out of these, 3 projects are completed which has created 105 MLD of STP capacity and 447 km of sewerage line has been laid. The target date for completion of Namami Gange programme is 2020.
