GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2259
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.11.2016

Hydraulic Load of FETP

2259. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA:
SHRIMATI JAYSHREEBEN PATEL:

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

(a) whether the Ministry has issued directions through the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), under section 18(i) (b) of Water Act, 1974 not to add any hydraulic load to the Final Effluent Treatment Plant (FETP) of Ankleshwar resulting in stalling of development of the industrial estates of the area;
(b) if so, whether the outflow of the FETP have substantially improved due to continuous and rigorous efforts of the State;
(c) if so, the details thereof along with the assistance provided/being provided by the Government in this regard; and
(d) whether there is any proposal to lift the said ban and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) had issued directions under Section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) on 06.08.2008 in respect of Final Effluent Treatment Plant (FETP) at Ankleshwar asking Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) not to permit establishment / expansion of constituent industrial units as the treated effluent quality of FETP at Ankleshwar did not comply with the prescribed standards.

(b)to(d) According to CPCB, the compliance of final treated effluent from Ankleshwar FETP is observed to be fluctuating in view of high concentration of ammonical nitrogen at the FETP inlet. The treated effluent from FETP is discharged through marine outfall into the Gulf of Khambat. Revised standards for treated effluent discharge from CETPs were notified on 01.01.2016 which *inter alia* considered the request of Government of Gujarat for a conditional relaxation in Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) norm for marine outfall.

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