

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2581**  
ANSWERED ON 01.12.2016

**CLEANING OF RIVERS UNDER NAMAMI GANGE MISSION**

†2581.       SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR

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

- (a) the names of rivers in the country earmarked by the Government under Namami Gange Mission along with the rivers in which cleaning work is being done at present including the details of institutions engaged in the said work;
- (b) whether any timeframe has been stipulated for the cleaning of these rivers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any scheme relating to construction and beautification of ghats under the Mission, if so, the details thereof?

**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) The Namami Gange programme is an umbrella programme to ensure effective abatement of pollution and conservation of the river Ganga and all its tributaries. Under the current Namami Gange programme, other than river Ganga, pollution abatement work is taken up on certain critical tributaries like Ramganga, Kali and Yamuna as a first priority.

The works are executed by the State Project Management Groups (SPMGs) of the respective States through the designated Executing Agencies. In addition, 5 central public sector units, namely, Water and Power Consultancy Services Limited (WAPCOS), Engineer India Limited (EIL), National Buildings Construction Corporation Limited (NBCC), National Projects Construction Corporation Limited (NPCC) and Engineers Projects India Limited (EPIL) have been engaged to execute entry level activities in their respective river stretches in Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

(b) The NGRBA has resolved that no untreated municipal sewage or industrial effluent will be discharged into river Ganga by year 2020.

(c) Construction and beautification of ghats are included under “Entry Level Activities” of Namami Gange. As on 30<sup>th</sup> Sep., 2016, schemes for 118 ghats have been approved in the five main-stem Ganga states.