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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1444

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ARSENIC PRESENCE IN YAMUNA RIVER

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

- (a) whether the level of arsenic in river Yamuna has crossed the standard level and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to take any steps to check the same, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the river is likely to be made arsenic free?

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) CPCB is monitoring the water quality of river Yamuna at 27 locations. The water quality is assessed for various physic-chemical, bacteriological, heavy metals and pesticide concentration as per protocol. The observed Water Quality data of the river does not indicate Arsenic presence in aqueous phase. No observation on occurrence of Arsenic contents in Yamuna River has been made.
- (b) & (c) Does not arise.
