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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1608

ANSWERED ON 09.03.2017

RESTORATION OF GANGA RIVER FLOW

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

- (a) whether there is any plan under consideration of the Government to restore the old constant flow of Ganga River, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps in this direction, 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) & (b) Government has constituted authorities at Central, State and District Levels under Environment Protection Act (EPA), 1986 vide Notification dated 7th October, 2016 to take measures for prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution and to ensure continuous adequate flow of water so as to rejuvenate the river Ganga to its natural and pristine condition. The above mentioned notification also provides for maintenance of ecological flow of water in river Ganga. Government has also constituted a committee with Prof. Vinod Tare of IIT Kanpur as convener for suggesting measures for revitalization of River Bhagirathi vide order dt. 28.09.2016.
