

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †875
ANSWERED ON 20.07.2017

GANGA ACTION PLAN

†875. DR. PRITAM GOPINATH MUNDE SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE	SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has held or proposes to hold any discussions with the officers of Uttar Pradesh Government in regard to shifting of tanneries in Kanpur in connection with clean Ganga Project, if so, the facts in this regard alongwith the outcome thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has enrolled 200 engineering students for extensive bio-technical study of the Ganga river;
- (c) if so, the facts in this regard along with the extent to which the said study is likely to be helpful in the said project;
- (d) the present status of the Ganga Action Plan; and
- (e) the time by which the said project/ plan is likely to be operationalised?

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) Yes, Madam. A meeting was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation with officials of Government of Uttar Pradesh and others to discuss the issue of shifting of tanneries from Jajmau, Kanpur. A Task Force has been constituted under chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Environment, Uttar Pradesh. The first meeting of the Task Force was held on 06-07-2017.
- (b) No, Madam.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) At present total 155 projects costing Rs. 12423.63 crore have been sanctioned, out of which 39 projects have been completed.
- (e) Projects for cleaning Ganga are divided under three type of activities i.e. short term, medium term and long term activities. Efforts are made to complete short and medium term activities by the year 2020.