

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1017
ANSWERED ON 21.12.2017

AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR WATER CONSERVATION

1017. SHRI BHAGWANT MANN

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to organise a national level water quiz in collaboration with the Central Water Commission for children/students to spread awareness regarding various aspects related to water in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the salient features of the said programme?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION & PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. Central Water Commission (CWC), Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation is organizing an 'All India Quiz Competition' on water resources for children/ students studying in recognized schools in class 6th to 8th standard.

The nominations of one team, each comprising of two students of 6th to 8th standard, were invited from registered schools. In order to give wide publicity to the event and call for nominations, the following steps were taken:

- i. Advertisements in total 20 leading newspapers (15 English & 5 Hindi) covering all the regional centres of Central Water Commission and National Water Academy, Pune.
- ii. E-mails were sent through Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Central Board of Secondary Education & Indian Certificate of Secondary Education.
- iii. E-mails were sent to Principal Secretaries (Education) for all States/ UTs for informing Government aided and other schools.
- iv. Publicity was done by Regional offices of Central Water Commission by e-mails and word of mouth.

Last date for the Registration was 11th December, 2017. In all 764 registrations have been received.

The competition is proposed in two stages – tier-I (Preliminary rounds) will be organised at all the 13 Regional Offices of CWC and NWA, Pune in first and second week of January, 2018. The tier-II event, i.e. Finale at New Delhi is tentatively scheduled for first week of February, 2018. Two teams (Winner and Runner-up) from each of the Regional offices and NWA, Pune will qualify to compete in the Finale at Delhi.