GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4440 ANSWERED ON 22.03.2018

DEVELOPMENT OF GANGA RIVER

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

(a) the funds allocated/released/utilised during the financial year 2016-17 for the development of Ganga river; and

(b) the progress made in cleaning of the said river so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION & HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

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(a) Government of India has allocated/released Rs.1,675.00 crore to National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), out of which, NMCG has released/utilized Rs.1,062.81 crore to state agencies/executing agencies for development of Ganga River during the financial year 2016-17.

(b) Government of India has launched Namami Gange Programme in May 2015 for conservation of river Ganga with total outlay of Rs.20,000 crores. Namami Gange Programme is a holistic approach to clean Ganga through various activities such as treatment of municipal sewage, treatment of industrial effluent, river surface cleaning, rural sanitation, ghats & crematoria works, afforestation, biodiversity conservation, awareness creation & public outreach etc.

Cleaning of the rivers is an ongoing continuous process and NMCG has sanctioned a total of 192 projects of Rs.19630 crores for above activities, out of which, 49 projects have been completed so far.
