GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOKSABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1658 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2018

Water and Air Pollution

1658. SHRI BHEEMRAO B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the five major cities which have recorded the highest level of water and air pollution in the country during last three years and the changes and additions noticed at present in those cities;
- (b) the comparative details regarding the pollution in five major rivers along with the places where highest level of water pollution has been recorded during the said period; and
- (c) the results of the measures taken to control pollution at these places during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b) Central Pollution Control Board is monitoring the ambient air quality under National Air Quality Monitoring Programme. Five cities with highest concentration of NO₂, PM₁₀ and PM _{2.5} during 2014-2016 are at Annexure-I.

Water quality monitored under National Water Quality Monitoring Programme, is not city centric. As per the latest assessment, Central Pollution Control Board has identified 317 polluted river stretches in 293 rivers, which is at Annexure-II. The cities identified along the five most polluted rivers stretches in 2017 are Greater Mumbai along river Mithi, Ghaziabad along river Hindon, Ludhiana along river Satluj, Delhi along river Yamuna and Indore along river Khan.

(c) The result of measures taken for abatement of air and water pollution is reduction in their levels as against business as is usual scenario.

Annexure-I referred in reply to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1658 due for answer on 27.7.2018 regarding 'Water and Air Pollution'

Cities exceeding National Ambient Air Quality Standards with respect to NO₂, PM₁₀ and PM _{2.5}(annual average in descending order) during 2014 to 2016

Parameter	Year	Name of Cities	
NO ₂	2014	Dombivali/Ambernath, Kolkata, Delhi, Thane, Badlapur	
	2015	Faridabad, Delhi,Pune,Barrackpore, Thane	
	2016	Pune, Dombivali/Ambernath, Badlapur, Pimpri-Chinchwad,	
		Ulhasnagar	
PM ₁₀	2014	Allahabad,Ghaziabad,Alwar,Bareilly, Delhi	
	2015	Ghaziabad, Allahabad, Bareilly, Delhi, Ranchi	
	2016	Jharia,Delhi,Bhiwadi,Varanasi,Bareilly	
PM _{2.5}	2014	Delhi, Bhopal, Cuttack, Sangareddy	
	2015	Bhopal, Delhi, Talcher, Gwalior, Barrackpore,	
	2016	Delhi, Asansol, Durgapur, Kolkata, Haora	

Annexure-II referred in reply to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1658 due for answer on 27.7.2018 regarding 'Water and Air Pollution'

State wise number of polluted river stretches and cities/towns

State Name	Number of Polluted River Stretches	Cities/Towns along Polluted River Stretches
Andhra Pradesh	5	10
Assam	31	50
Bihar	15	22
Chhattisgarh	3	11
Daman, Diu, Dadra Nagar Haveli	1	2
Delhi	1	1
Goa	15	21
Gujarat	14	27
Haryana	2	7
Himachal Pradesh	6	10
Jammu & Kashmir	7	16
Jharkhand	6	10
Karnataka	16	23
Kerala	23	34
Madhya Pradesh	20	41
Maharashtra	56	170
Manipur	3	4
Meghalaya	7	7
Nagaland	3	4
Odisha	18	31
Puducherry	1	1
Punjab	2	5
Rajasthan	1	5
Sikkim	3	9
Tamil Nadu	8	24
Telangana	9	19
Tripura	2	4
Uttar Pradesh	13	36
Uttarakhand	9	11
West Bengal	17	44
Total	317	659