

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2605**  
ANSWERED ON 02.08.2018

**TARGET FOR CLEANING OF GANGA RIVER**

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

- (a) whether the Government is expeditiously working on all the projects meant for cleaning of the Ganga river;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed the year 2019 as the target year for cleaning the said river; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) to (d) National Ganga River Basin Authority in its 1<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 05/10/2009 has resolved that by 2020 no untreated municipal sewage or industrial effluent flows into river Ganga.

Under Namami Gange Programme, towards cleaning of the river, a total of 105 projects have been sanctioned for development of new sewerage infrastructure along with rehabilitation of old ones for creating a total treatment capacity of 3295 Million Litres per Day (MLD) and laying of sewerage network of 4823 km at an estimated cost of Rs.17,485 crore. Out of these, 26 projects have been completed.

Further, 67 projects have been sanctioned for River Front Development, development of Ghats and Crematoria, Ghat cleaning and river surface cleaning activities at an estimated cost of Rs.1296 crore. Out of these, 24 projects have been completed and other projects are at various stages of implementation.

Cleaning of river is a continuous process and efforts are being made to complete these projects by the year 2020.

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