GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2768

TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2018

Rejuvenation of Rivers

2768. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes new strategy for rejuvenation of rivers and making a rejuvenation plan for selected stretches of rivers in initial stages for conservation as the present strategy is limited only to tackling pollution load from domestic wastewater and regulation of industrial pollution;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any river stretches have been identified in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the list of the stretches of the rivers identified thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) The strategies for conservation and rejuvenation of rivers in the country are revised from time to time in consultation with the State Governments and is an ongoing process. Works are taken up in identified polluted river stretches under the National River Conservation Plan by the Ministry on the basis of conformity with the guidelines, pollution status, prioritization, willingness of the State Governments to contribute their matching share and availability of Plan funds, and incorporation of appropriate strategies.
