GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4311 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2023

Rejuvenation of Rivers

4311. SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL (BAKABHAI): SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the massive degradation of river ecosystems, and the urgent need for rejuvenation of rivers in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Ministry has ambitious plans for setting up Biodiversity Parks along the rivers in the country following the orders passed by the National Green Tribunal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) to(d) MoEF&CC, Govt. of India entrusted Indian Council Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun to prepare Detailed Project Report (DPR) for rejuvenation of thirteen major Indian rivers namely Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas, Sutlej, Yamuna, Brahmaputra, Luni, Narmada, Godavari, Mahanadi, Krishna and Cauvery through forestry interventions. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been sent to the concerned State /UT Government for its implementation. These DPRs include rejuvenation measures which *inter alia* includes Eco-park developments, avenue plantations, riverside plantations, river front development, Biodiversity conservation model, etc. as per site conditions.
