

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2762
ANSWERED ON 05.12.2019

POLLUTION IN RIVERS

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified the polluted rivers in the State of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the names of the rivers;
- (c) whether the river Brahmani is one such river in which pollution level is alarming; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken for the cleaning of that river and making its water useful?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) As per latest report of Central Pollution control Board (CPCB), 19 rivers have been identified as polluted in the State of Odisha based on the value of Bio-chemical Oxygen Demand (BoD). The name of these rivers are Gangua, Guradih Nallah, Kathajodi, Nandirajhor, Daya, Kuakhai, Banguru Nallah, Bheden, Brahmani, Budhabalnaga, Kusumi, Mahanadi, Mangala, Nagavalli, Nuna, Ratnachira, Rushikulya, Sabulia and Serua.

(c) & (d) The stretch from Rourkela to Biritol of river Brahmani is one of the identified polluted river stretches of priority V (BoD level in the range of 3-6 mg/l).

Central Government is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments including Odisha, in abatement of pollution of identified stretches of various rivers under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP), on cost sharing basis between the Central and State Governments. The Ministry has sanctioned projects at a cost of Rs.279.9 lakhs for pollution abatement of river Brahmani in the State of Odisha. Under the project works pertaining to interception and diversion of sewage, sewage treatment plant (STP), river front development etc have been implemented and a STP having capacity of 2 million litre per day (mld) has been created in the State.
