GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2453 ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020

NATIONAL RIVER CONSERVATION PLAN

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects launched under the National River Conservation Plan by the Government during the last three years, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the funds sanctioned and utilised so far and the extant position of these projects;

(c) whether the target of abatement of river pollution has been achieved under the said programme, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to revive the National River Conservation Plan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) to (e) State/Union Territory-wise details of the projects launched by the Government under National River Conservation Plan during the last three years are as under:

State/ UT	Name of the Project/ river	Sanctioned cost	Sanction Date	Funds Released by	Expenditure incurred by the State Govt.
		(Rs. in crore)		Central Govt. (Rs. in crore)	(incl. State Share) (Rs. in crore)
Jammu & Kashmir	Pollution abatement of river Devika and Tawi at Udhampur	186.74	Sept,2018	30.00	13.00
Gujarat	Pollution abatement of river Tapi at Surat, Gujarat	971.25	March, 2019	13.00	
Sikkim	Pollution abatement of river Rani Chu in Zone-III, Gangtok	94.66	July, 2018	27.00	17.00
Maharashtra	Pollution Abatement of River Mula Mutha at Pune (EAP Project)	990.26	Jan, 2016	57.74	38.69
Manipur	Pollution abatement of river Nambul at Imphal, Manipur	97.72	Jan, 2019	18.00	3.30

Cleaning of river is a continuous process and Government of India is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in addressing the challenges of pollution of rivers by providing financial and technical assistance. Under the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP), project proposals are received from the State Government from time to time for taking up pollution abatement works in towns along various rivers, and are considered for financial assistance on a cost sharing basis subject to their conformity with the scheme guidelines, pollution status, prioritizations, appraisal by independent institutions and availability of Plan funds. The NRCP has so far covered polluted stretches of 34 rivers in 77 towns spread over 16 States in the country with a sanctioned cost of Rs.5870.54 crore. A Central share of Rs.2510.63 crore has been released to the State Governments for implementation of various pollution abatement schemes. A sewage treatment capacity of 2522.03 mld (million litres per day) has been created under the NRCP resulting in reduction in pollution load being discharged into various rivers.
