

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 102**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.11.2021**

**Identification of cities to control air pollution**

102. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

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

- (a) whether it is true that Patancheruvu in Telangana has been identified to control air pollution;
- (b) the details of action plan prepared and status of implementation of the same;
- (c) the details of improvement in air quality after implementation of the action plan; and
- (d) whether any other city has been identified/ proposed to be identified to control air pollution in Telangana and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (d):** National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) has been launched as a comprehensive plan to tackle air pollution problem across the country in a focussed manner to achieve 20% to 30% reduction in PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels by 2024 from 2017 levels. Further, 42 million plus population cities have been identified for focused air quality management under 15th Finance Commission grants and out of these 34 are million plus non-attainment cities and 08 are million plus urban agglomerations. City Specific Air Action Plans have been prepared and rolled out for implementation in 132 non-attainment and million plus population cities including Hyderabad, Patancheruvu, Sangareddy and Nalgonda in State of Telangana. The details of the approved city action plan are available at <https://cpcb.nic.in/approved-city-action-plans>.

There is a gradual improvement in the air quality in Patancheruvu as the PM<sub>10</sub> reduced from 101 in 2014 to 87 in 2021.

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