

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1390
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2026

Special Environment Task Force for Daman

1390. SHRI PATEL UMESHBHAI BABUBHAI:

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

- (a) the number of inspectors deployed in the Daman Pollution Control Committee for monitoring pharmaceutical industries in Daman;
- (b) the number of surprise inspection conducted so far;
- (c) whether a special Environment Task Force has been constituted for the Daman region;
- (d) the amount of environment compensation recovered so far; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to introduce a "Green Compliance Linked Incentive" policy in the future?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d) : Daman Pollution Control Committee has deployed team of 11 technical officers for enforcing environmental compliance in industries, including the pharmaceutical industry located in UT of Dadra Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu. A total of 20 inspections were carried out in last year for pharmaceutical industries in the Daman District. In FY 2024–25, environmental compensation of ₹27,54,500/- has been imposed on various industries.

(e): Central Pollution Control Board has introduced a 'Star' category system for industries which have demonstrated successful better environmental performance by reducing Pollution Index (PI) and proven reduction in trade effluent generation or air pollution management or waste management measures. Industries achieving 'Star' category are reclassified into a lower Category and incentivised with less environmental surveillance/compliance burden. Details of frequency of inspections reduced for 'Star' category industry, are given below:

Sl. No.	Change in Industry category by demonstrating reduced Pollution Index	Revised industry category	Revised frequency of inspections
1	Red to Orange	Red Star	'Once in a year' as against 'Once in 6 months'
2	Orange to Green	Orange Star	'Once in 2 years' as against 'Once in a year'
3	Green to White	Green Star	'Once in 4 years' as against 'Once in 2 years'

CPCB has further introduced “Blue category” under classification of industries for 9 sectors under Essential Environmental Services and is an incentive mechanism to promote units in a particular sector for taking measures resulting into better environmental performance. Blue category industries include Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP), Common Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility (CHWTSDF), Effluent conveying system, etc. and management of waste generated from domestic/household activities (Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) and Municipal Solid Waste management).
