GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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REJUVENATION OF SUB-BASINS OF GANGA RIVER

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether sub-basins of Ganga river are to be rejuvenated under Ganga cleaning campaign;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with their pollution level during the last two years; and
- (c) the quantum of funds allocated/ released/utilised for the purpose including progress made in this regard so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a) The Central Government approved the 'Namami Gange' program on 13th May, 2015 as a comprehensive approach to rejuvenate the river Ganga and all its tributaries under one umbrella by consolidating the existing ongoing efforts and planning for a concrete action plan for the future. In the present phase of the operation, the focus is on projects to rejuvenated river Ganga and Yamuna.
- (b) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has inventorised 764 Grossly Polluting Industries (GPI) in 5 states on the main stem of river Ganga and its tributaries river Kali East and Ramganga all together draining 501 MLD of waste water into Ganga. Out of 764 units, 53 and 79 GPI units are discharging into river Kali-East and Ramganga respectively through drains/tributaries. The pollution load discharged in river Ramganga and Kali-east by drains/tributaries is estimated to be 132 Tonne/day and 165 Tonne/Day respectively.
- (c) Funds allocated and spent so till 13.07.2016 on Cleaning of Ganga by Government since inception of National Mission for Clean Ganga is given below:

		Rs.Incrore
FY	RE	Actual Expenditure by Govt. of India
2011-12	216.61	192.58
2012-13	193.50	191.52
2013-14	309.00	303.95
2014-15	2,053.00	326.00
2015-16	1,650.00	1,632.00
2016-17		
Total	4,422.11	2,646.05

As on 30th June 2016,97 projects have been sanctioned under Namami Gange programme (including the existing projects sanctioned under NGRBA programme) in 53 towns at an estimated project cost of Rs 8588.21 crore. Out of these, 12 projects are sanctioned exclusively under new components of Namami Gange programme at a sanctioned cost of Rs 351.42 crore. Out of these 97 projects, 32 projects have been completed. The Government recently launched 231 entry level and medium term projects under Namami Gange on 7th July, 2016. These projects include Ghat Development, Crematoria, setting up of Sewage treatment plants, afforestation etc.

Apart from above, "River Surface and Ghat Cleaning" programme using thrash skimmer has been taken up initially in 6 cities namely Mathura-Vrindavan, Kanpur, Allahabad, Varanasi, Patna and New Delhi under the Namami Gange programme. Also, 5 central public sector units namely WAPCOS, EIL, NBCC, NPCC, EPIL have been recently engaged to carry out work on condition Assessment & Feasibility Study and Entry level activities under Namami Gange Programme in their respective river stretches in Uttarakhand, UP, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal. 59 towns have been surveyed so far and 27 pre-feasibility reports prepared and received. The other activities taken up under entry level activities include repair and modernization of Ghats, provision of public amenities, village level drain (VLD) treatment, repair and modernization of crematoria etc. 1242 ghats, 369 crematoria and 411 VLDs identified so far from the surveys and out of these 191 Ghats and 64 Crematoria have been recommended by ESC till date.
