

untreated wastewater into the River Yamuna. The project has been approved by CCEA under JNNURM at a cost of Rs. 1357 crore.

Pollution abatement works under the river conservation plans are implemented on a cost sharing basis between the center and the states through implementing agencies nominated by the State Government. Regular interactions are held with the states to review and monitor the progress of works to ensure their timely completion.

Scientific study for climate change

†2066. SHRI JAI PRAKASH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any scientific study to find out the measures to reduce climate changes and its impact on environments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) A study on assessment of impact of climate change in 2030s on four key sectors of Indian economy, namely Agriculture, Water, Natural Ecosystems & Biodiversity and Health in four climate sensitive regions of India, namely the Himalayan region, the Western Ghats, the Coastal Area and the North-East Region has been prepared by the Indian Network for Climate Change Assessment (INCCA), a network-based programme of the Government of India. The Report provides assessment of impacts on climate change projections, sea level rise and extreme events and sectors on agriculture, water, forests and human health.

Constitution of environment clubs

†2067. SHRI BRIJLAL KHABRI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is contemplating to start a campaign on environment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether Government proposes to constitute environment clubs in country; and

(d) if so, the number of such clubs proposed to be constituted, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Environment & Forests conducts a nationwide campaign known as National Environment Awareness Campaign (NEAC), every year; for creating awareness about environment.

(c) and (d) Eco-clubs are formed in the schools all over the country with financial assistance of Rs. 2,500/- per school per annum by the Ministry under National Green Corps programme. The state-wise details of the eco-clubs setup so far are given in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of the eco-clubs setup so far

S.No.	States/UTs	No. of Eco-clubs Set up
1	2	3
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	346
2	Andhra Pradesh	5750
3	Arunachal Pradesh	525
4	Assam	4695
5	Bihar	8473
6	Chandigarh	115
7	Chhattisgarh	3932
8	Delhi (NCT)	1874
9	Goa	500
10	Gujarat	6500
11	Haryana	5000
12	Himachal Pradesh	3000
13	Jammu & Kashmir	5500

1	2	3
14	Jharkhand	3300
15	Karnataka	8000
16	Kerala	3500
17	Maharashtra	8898
18	Manipur	1350
19	Mizoram	1235
20	Madhya Pradesh	12000
21	Nagaland	2048
22	Orissa	7500
23	Puducherry	550
24	Punjab	5000
25	Rajasthan	8000
26	Sikkim	540
27	Tamil Nadu	7500
28	Tripura	600
29	Uttar Pradesh	8000
30	Uttarakhand	1950
31	West Bengal	4750
	TOTAL	130931

Protection of mangrove forests

2068. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is giving great emphasis to protection of mangrove forests all along the Indian coast;

(b) whether is a fact that mangrove forests require a regular and steady inflow of fresh water to create brackishness for their survival;

(c) if so, what time bound steps would be taken to protect, nurture and expand the largest mangrove forest or cluster outside the Sunderbans at Coringa on the East Coast;