

(b) No fund has been received as proceeds from sales from the Namami Gange Programme under Namami Gange Programme.

Implementation of Namami Gange Programme

2864. SHRI P.L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of projects sanctioned under Namami Gange Programme (NGP), the details of total budget allocated and the amount spent so far under the project;
- (b) the total number of projects that have been completed under NGP and by when the remaining project are likely to be completed, the details thereof, project-wise;
- (c) the names of PSUs and the amount spent by them on the projects under NGP, the details thereof;
- (d) the names of rivers whose basin area has been cleared for conservation and continuous flow of rivers; and
- (e) the amount spent along with the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) and (b) Government of India is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in addressing the challenges of pollution of river Ganga by providing financial assistance. Under Namami Gange Programme variety of coordinated activities meant for cleaning of river Ganga have been taken up. These include treatment of municipal sewage, treatment of industrial effluent, drain bio-remediation, river surface cleaning, rural sanitation, river front development, construction of ghats and crematoria, afforestation and biodiversity conservation, public outreach programme etc. A total of 254 projects have been sanctioned up to November, 2018 at an estimated cost of ₹24,672 crore, out of these 75 projects have been completed.

Namami Gange Programme was launched with a total budgetary outlay of ₹20,000 crore for the period from 2014-15 till 31 December 2020. An amount of ₹4,994.10 crore has been spent against the total released amount of ₹6,131.22 crore from 2014-15 till 30 November, 2018.

Cleaning of the river is a continuous process and efforts are being made to complete these projects by the year 2020.

(c) The names of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and the amount spent by them/released to them on the projects under Namami Gange Programme are given below:-

PSUs	Amount (₹ in crore)
Engineers India Limited	181.80
National Building Construction Corporation Limited	26.32
WAPCOS Limited	74.17
National Projects Construction Corporation Limited	20.81
Engineering Projects (India) Limited	8.68

(d) and (e) Government of India has been supplementing the efforts of the State Governments for abatement of pollution in identified stretches of various rivers under the scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP), on a cost sharing basis between the Central and State Governments. NRCP (excluding Ganga and its tributaries) has so far covered polluted stretches of 33 rivers in 76 towns spread over 15 States in the country at a sanctioned cost of ₹4801.57 crore and Central share of ₹2337.73 crore has been released to the State Governments for implementation of various pollution abatement schemes. Sewage treatment capacity of 2520.43 Million Litres Per Day (Mld) has been created so far under the NRCP.

In context of river Ganga, Government have issued a Gazette notification dated 10th October 2018, wherein minimum environmental flows have been notified that is to be maintained in river Ganga from its origin to Unnao (Uttar Pradesh) specifically at locations downstream of structures of projects meant for diversion of river flows for purposes like irrigation, hydropower, domestic and industrial and other requirements.

World Bank assistance for Atal Bhujal Yojana

2865. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank has approved ₹6,000 crore under the Atal Bhujal Yojana proposed by the Ministry;

(b) whether geographical priority areas been identified under the scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof;