

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 407**

ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023

**PROGRESS OF NMCG**

407. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has spent around ₹ 14,000/- crore for cleaning of the river Ganga under National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) since 2014 till date;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and district-wise including Uttar Pradesh; and
- (c) the reasons that Ganga water is still not potable or bathable after spending thousands of crores of rupees?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

**(a) & (b)** Namami Gange Programme was launched in June 2014 for a period up to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 to rejuvenate River Ganga and its tributaries. The programme was subsequently extended up to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2026. A total sum of Rs.13,709.72 crore were released to the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) from Financial Year (FY) 2014-15 till 31 December 2022, out of which Rs.13,245.68 crore have been disbursed by NMCG to State Governments, State Missions for Clean Ganga and other agencies for implementation of projects related to Ganga rejuvenation. The amount disbursed by NMCG to various agencies for implementation of projects, compiled State & agency-wise, along with main objective of the projects, from 2014-15 up to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2022, is attached as **Annexure**.

**(c)** The main objective of river rejuvenation programme is to meet the primary water quality criteria for outdoor bathing notified by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF& CC) and not drinking water quality. Surface water, including that of rivers; is required to undergo necessary treatment/purification for making it potable or fit for human consumption.

Under the Namami Gange Programme, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) is carrying out water quality assessment of the River Ganga at 97 locations in 5 main stem States through the respective State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs). As per CPCB data for 2022 (January to October), the observed water quality of river Ganga indicates that Dissolved Oxygen (DO), which is an indicator of river health has been found to be within acceptable limits of notified primary bathing water quality criteria and is satisfactory to support the ecosystem of the river for almost the entire stretch of the river Ganga. As a result of multi sectoral interventions, as per comparison of median data of water quality parameters viz., DO, Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Faecal Coliforms (FC) of year 2014 and 2022 (January to October); DO (Median) has improved at 33 locations; BOD at 41 locations and FC at 28 locations, respectively.

Cleaning of river Ganga is a continuous process and National Mission for Clean Ganga is implementing various projects for conservation and rejuvenation of river Ganga and its tributaries.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 407 TO BE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 06.02.2023 REGARDING “PROGRESS OF NMCG”.

**National Mission for Clean Ganga**

**Details of Agency -wise funds released & other basin wide expenditure during 2014-15 to 2022-23**  
(Rs. in cr.)

| State         | Beneficiary Agencies                                        | Purpose/Objective                                                                                | Total    |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Uttarakhand   | State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG)                        | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities | 801.98   |
|               | WAPCOS Limited                                              | Ghats & Crematoria Projects                                                                      | 86.45    |
|               | State Forest Deptt.                                         | Afforestation                                                                                    | 110.20   |
|               | Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Projects                          | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects                                                                 | 86.82    |
|               | State Pollution Control Board                               | Strengthening of Laboratories                                                                    | 1.20     |
|               | Sanitation Mission                                          | Rural Sanitation Scheme                                                                          | 30.69    |
|               | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                            |                                                                                                  | 1,117.34 |
| Uttar Pradesh | State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG)                        | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities | 2,428.23 |
|               | State Government-Sewerage Infrastructure                    | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                  | 70.00    |
|               | Engineers India Limited                                     | Ghats & Crematoria Projects                                                                      | 302.50   |
|               | State Forest Deptt.                                         | Afforestation                                                                                    | 113.62   |
|               | Other-Jajmau Tannery Effluent Treatment Association (JTETA) | Industrial Pollution Abatement                                                                   | 178.77   |
|               | Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Projects                          | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects                                                                 | 813.61   |
|               | State Pollution Control Board                               | Strengthening of Laboratories                                                                    | 14.81    |
|               | Sanitation Mission                                          | Rural Sanitation Scheme                                                                          | 408.35   |
|               | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                            |                                                                                                  | 4,329.89 |
| Bihar         | State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG)                        | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities | 3,028.60 |
|               | NBCC (India) Limited                                        | Ghats & Crematoria Projects                                                                      | 73.55    |
|               | State Forest Deptt.                                         | Afforestation                                                                                    | 76.48    |
|               | Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Projects                          | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects                                                                 | 88.73    |
|               | State Pollution Control Board                               | Strengthening of Laboratories                                                                    | 2.31     |
|               | Sanitation Mission                                          | Rural Sanitation Scheme                                                                          | 256.76   |

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|                    | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 3,526.43  |
| Jharkhand          | State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG)                             | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities                                                                                                                         | 164.52    |
|                    | National Project Construction Corporation Limited                | Ghats & Crematoria Projects                                                                                                                                                                                              | 30.52     |
|                    | State Forest Deptt.                                              | Afforestation                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 22.74     |
|                    | State Pollution Control Board                                    | Strengthening of Laboratories                                                                                                                                                                                            | 4.44      |
|                    | Sanitation Mission                                               | Rural Sanitation Scheme                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 27.83     |
|                    | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 250.05    |
| West Bengal        | State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG)                             | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects, Institutional Development, Communication & Outreach Activities                                                                                                                         | 881.17    |
|                    | State Forest Deptt.                                              | Afforestation                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 23.55     |
|                    | Engineering Projects (India) Limited-Ghats & Crematoria Projects | Ghats & Crematoria Projects                                                                                                                                                                                              | 20.04     |
|                    | Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) Projects                               | Sewerage Infrastructure Projects                                                                                                                                                                                         | 177.17    |
|                    | State Pollution Control Board                                    | Strengthening of Laboratories                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1.19      |
|                    | Sanitation Mission                                               | Rural Sanitation Scheme                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 236.00    |
|                    | <b>Sub-Total</b>                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1,339.12  |
| Madhya Pradesh     | Environmental Planning & Coordination Organisation, Jabalpur     | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                                                                                                                                          | 9.89      |
| Delhi              | Delhi Jal Board                                                  | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1,253.86  |
| Haryana            | Public Health and Engineering Department                         | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                                                                                                                                          | 89.61     |
| Rajasthan          | Urban Improvement Trust Kota                                     | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                                                                                                                                          | 71.25     |
| Himachal Pradesh   | Irrigation Deptt.                                                | Sewerage Infrastructure Project                                                                                                                                                                                          | 3.75      |
| Basin Wide         | Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)                           | Support to Water Quality and Industrial Pollution Monitoring                                                                                                                                                             | 147.83    |
|                    | NMCG and other agencies                                          | Projects interventions through Executing Agencies, Research & Pilot Projects, Arth Ganga Projects, Outreach & Communication Projects and Interventions, Office Administrative Expenses, Project Support Consultancy etc. | 1,106.66  |
| <b>Grand Total</b> |                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 13,245.68 |

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