

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 48
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2023

Rejuvenation of rivers in the country

48. DR. C.M.RAMESH:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to rejuvenate thirteen major rivers in the country which would also increase the forest cover, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whetheradequate funds have been earmarked for the purpose and the details of likely completion date for rejuvenation of rivers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) National Afforestation & Eco-Development Board (NAEB), MoEF&CC, GoI entrusted Indian Council Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun to prepare Detailed Project Report (DPR) for rejuvenation of thirteen major Indian rivers namely Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas, Sutlej, Yamuna, Brahmaputra, Luni, Narmada, Godavari , Mahanadi, Krishna and Cauvery through forestry interventions. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for 13 rivers has been forwarded to concerned state for implementation.

After implementing the activities proposed in the DPRs, it is expected that the increase in forest cover would be 7,417.39 km².

- (b) The DPR's prepared by ICFRE was sent to all concerned states to be implemented with the available financial resources at their disposal. However, no seprate budget provision has been earmarked from the MoEF&CC, GoI.
