

Damage to Monuments

727. SHRI DHARMANNA
MONDAYYA SALUL :
SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY :

Will the MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of historical monuments including Gol Gumbaz in Bijapur and Gulbarga cities of Karnataka have been damaged due to recent earthquakes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken to get these monuments repaired ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE. (KUMARI SELJA) :

(a) to (c) Due to the recent earthquakes in Maharashtra, the centrally protected monuments viz. Ibrahim Raaza Gagan Mahant, Badi Kaman and Pasari Kaman of Bijapur, the main entrance gate and a bastion in the Fort of Gulbarga, have suffered minor damages. Conservation measures on the affected monuments have been initiated.

National River Action Plan

728. DR. MUMTAJ ANSARI :
SHRI RAJESH KUMAR :

Will the MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have formulated a National River Action Plan worth Rupees one thousand crores;

(b) if so, the salient features there of ; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH) :

(a) to (c) A National River Action Plan for abatement of pollution in the polluted stretches of major rivers of the country is in the final stages of formulation. Salient features under the Ganga Action Plan and the works under NRAP would include (a) interception and diversion of municipal sewage and its treatment :

(b) Setting up of the Low Cost Sanitation measures and solid waste management; etc. Setting up of Electric Crematoria; (d) River front facilities; and (e) other schemes for biological regeneration of the rivers etc. Industrial pollution is expected to be checked through implementation of laws by the State Pollution Control Boards. Details in this regard are being worked out in consultation with the State Governments.

Railway Network in Bihar

729. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV : Will the MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any scheme for expansion of railway