

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS  
LOK SABHA**

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DEATH OF FISHES DUE TO POLLUTION IN RIVERS  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether shoal of fishes have died recently in several rivers of the country due to pollution;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) to (c) Under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan, the Government is providing assistance to various State Governments to implement pollution abatement works in 157 towns along polluted stretches of 31 rivers spread over 18 States. No specific case of fish mortality due to pollution only in these river stretches has been reported recently.