

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

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SURVEY ON RIVER YAMUNA

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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Central Pollution Control Board has surveyed the river Yamuna in recent past;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government on the basis of findings of the survey;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to conduct such survey on other rivers in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b) As per the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), water quality of river Yamuna is affected in the stretches between Wazirabad to Okhla in Delhi and Kosikalan to Juhika in Uttar Pradesh due to disposal of sewage and industrial effluents.

(c) Besides the schemes undertaken by State Governments, the Government of India is implementing Yamuna Action Plan (YAP) for abatement of pollution of river Yamuna with assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency, Government of Japan in a phased manner. The total expenditure incurred so far under this plan is 908.89 cores. A total of 276 schemes have been completed in 21 towns of the three States of Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana and 753.25 million litres per day of sewage treatment capacity has been created so far under YAP. The works taken up under YAP include interception and diversion of raw sewage, setting up of Sewage Treatment Plants, creation of low cost sanitation facilities, setting up of electric/improved wood crematoria and River Front Development.

(d) to (f) The Central Pollution Control Board and the State Pollution Control Boards are monitoring water quality of major rivers in the country at 1365 locations covering 282 rivers. Based on the monitoring, 150 river stretches have been identified as polluted.