

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5135  
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WATER TREATMENT PLANTS IN DELHI NO.  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the water treatment plants located on various drains/canals in Delhi had to stop work recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the safety of these canals?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a) & (b) : The Delhi Jal Board(DJB) has informed that production of water from Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant and Bhagirathi Water Treatment Plant was affected adversely on 13.8.2010 and 14.8.2010 due to a political agitation by Jat Maha Sabha at Murad Nagar Regulator from where Ganga Water is being tapped from Upper Ganga Canal.

(c) : DJB has also informed that it has taken up the matter with the Government of Uttar Pradesh to ensure safety of Murad Nagar Regulator. Apart from this, various security measures taken by DJB in this regard include: (i) engaging and posting of adequate security staff including armed personnel round the clock; (ii) the work of suitable caging with mild steel works of both the regulators so that access to regulating mechanism is restricted for any outsiders; (iii) provision/welding of fixed mechanical stops on the gates so that they cannot be closed beyond a certain opening, even in case outsiders are able to find entry to the regulator.