GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4093 ANSWERED ON:30.04.2012 GANGA RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY Yadav Shri Ranjan Prasad

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

- (a) whether some environmentalists went on fast upto death to clean Ganga under Ganga Sewa Abhiyan;
- (b) whether the Government has given assurance to take up the matter with the National Ganga River Basin Authority; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a) to (c) The Government had received representation from Ganga Sewa Abhiyan following the fast of Swamy Gyanswaroop anand (Professor G.D. Agrawal) demanding urgent measures by the National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) to protect river Ganga. The issues raised by Ganga Sewa Abhiyan were discussed in meeting of the National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) on 17.04.2012 in the presence of the delegation of Ganga Sewa Abhiyan which represented Swamy Gyanswaroop Sanand.