

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

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FUNDS RELEASED TO MAHARASHTRA FOR POLLUTION CONTROL
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has released any funds to Maharashtra for checking pollution;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and
- (c) the details of work done from these funds during the last three years?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir The Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) had released funds to Maharashtra to prevent and control of pollution. These funds are provided under the various schemes for industrial as well as environmental pollution abatement to implementing agencies.

(b) & (c) The funds released by the Ministry of Environment & Forests have been utilized for strengthening of Laboratories purchase of equipments by the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs). Work related to setting up of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) and Common Treatment Storage and Disposal Facilities (TSDFs) were also funded during the last three years. During the period, capacities of the SPCBs and common treatment facilities have been augmented to contain the pollution in the States. Details of funds released under various schemes and the work done are provided in an annexure.