GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3235 ANSWERED ON:18.03.2013 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR POLLUTION ABATEMENT Singh Shri Murarilal

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

(a) whether the World Bank has provided financial assistance/loan to the State Governments including Chhattisgarh to keep the environment pollution free: and

(b) if so, the State-wise details of funds issued to the State Governments for this purpose during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) The World Bank has provided financial assistance/loan for \$ 1 Billion (Rs. 4500 crores) for abatement of pollution of river Ganga against the National Ganga River Basin (NGRB) project approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) at an estimated cost of Rs. 7000 crores under the National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) for implementation in the States viz., Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal to ensure that by year 2020, no untreated municipal sewage and industrial effluents flow into main stem of river Ganga under 'Mission Clean Ganga'. The state of Chhattisgarh is not a part of the said assistance.

(b) The State-wise details of funds (Rs. in Lakhs) released to the State Governments for this purpose during the last three years and the current year is as below:

State 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 2012-13

Uttarakhand Nil Nil Nil 154.70

Uttar Pradesh Nil Nil Nil 179.60

Bihar Nil Nil Nil 60.00

Jharkhand Nil Nil Nil 50.00

West Bengal Nil Nil Nil 60.00