

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

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DISCHARGE OF POLLUTED WATER IN RAJASTHAN CANAL
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the polluted water and wastes of some cities of Punjab is drained in Sutlej river through Buddha and Kaliken Nallah;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the polluted water is being drained into Rajasthan Canal through Harike water works;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) As per the information received from the Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), Buddha Nallah passes through Ludhiana City and only treated waste water is being drained through Buddha Nallah into Sutlej river. The domestic effluent of the city is discharged into Buddha Nallah after its treatment in the sewage treatment plants. The industrial waste water generated from the industries is also discharged into Buddha Nallah after treatment by individual industry.
- (c) to (e) Confluence point of river Sutlej and Beas is at Harike Pattan from where Rajasthan canal originates. PPCB is periodically monitoring quality of water flowing into Rajasthan canal through Harike Head Works. The analysis of the water quality done by PPCB indicates that the quality of water is either of B or C class as per the designated uses.