

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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COMMITTEES ON WATER MANAGEMENT

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Committees to find ways to clean Yamuna, improve groundwater discharge and harvest rainwater in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details of these Committees, and the time by which these Committees are likely to submit their report to the (Union) Government;
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government in the past on these issues; and
- (d) the outcome of these steps, till date?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b) In addition to various steps taken by the Ministry of Environment and Forests and Government of NCT of Delhi, Ministry of Water Resources has formed Committee under Chairman, Central Ground Water Board to frame the proposal of rain water harvesting and ground water recharge in NCT of Delhi to decrease dependency of NCT of Delhi on Yamuna water. The Committee having representatives from Ministry of Urban Development, Delhi Jal Board and department of environment, Government of NCT of Delhi shall submit its report within a period of three months.

(c) & (d) Central Ground Water Board under Ministry of Water Resources has taken up demonstrative artificial recharge to ground water and rain water harvesting projects during eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh plan period. Various type of recharge structures like check dams, roof top rain water harvesting, recharge trench, recharge shaft, recharge well etc were constructed in these projects. Augmenting water resources for utilization for various purpose, several measures are taken by respective State governments which inter alia include conservation of water resources through reservoir, traditional water bodies, rain water harvesting and artificial recharge to ground water.