

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1953
ANSWERED ON:17.07.2009
LEVEL OF AMONIA IN DELHI WATER
Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the water supplied to Delhi during June, 2009 was having a bitter taste owing to the alleged rise in Ammonia level in the water;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government to avoid recurrence of such incidents in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a)&(b): The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that during the first week of June, 2009 there was pollution in the river Yamuna. The apparent reason for pollution is generation of flow in upper reaches of river Yamuna because of the recent rain. The flow so generated appears to have carried the pollution being continuously released into the river at Panipat. The pollution is mainly from Industrial units and also untreated domestic sewage flowing through Panipat drain.

(c): Government of NCT of Delhi has taken up the matter with Central Pollution Control Board to intervene in the matter.