

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA**

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RIVER POLLUTION

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Arkavati river in Karnataka is highly polluted due to drain water in the river;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to save the Tungabhadra river from pollution; and
- (d) if so, the response of the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION
(PROF.SANWAR LAL JAT)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. As per Central Pollution Control Board, the stretch of Arkavati River in Karnataka at downstream of Kanakapura is listed as polluted.

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam, The CPCB has identified three different polluted stretches of Tungabhadra River at the downstream Ullanur, downstream of Harihar to Haraeahalli Bridge and Ullanur, and downstream Manthralayam. The Government has sanctioned sewerage schemes at an estimated cost of Rs 7.16 crore and sewage treatment capacity of 28.29 million liters per day (mld) has been created in the towns of Davangere and Harihara in Karnataka to mitigate pollution of the river.