

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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GANGA REJUVENATION
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Germany has shown interest in the Government's Ganga rejuvenation plan and if so, the details of the nature of help offered in this regard;
- (b) whether some other countries have also offered technical and financial help in cleaning Ganga and its tributaries; and
- (c) if so, the details and response of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (SUSHRI UMA BHARTI)

(a) Yes, Madam. German Government has offered 3 million Euros for supporting Ganga Rejuvenation during the Indo-German Government Negotiations held in November 2014. An appraisal mission for this purpose is expected shortly to formulate concrete projects for initial assistance.

(b)&(c) Many countries such as Germany, Australia, Canada, Singapore, Netherlands, etc have expressed interest to support Ganga Rejuvenation through know- ledge/technology sharing and providing financial/ technical assistance for cleaning up Ganga, capacity building, research & development, sharing of experie- nces, expertise & best practices, etc. National Mission for Cleaning Ganga is in continuous dialogue with the relevant organizations of these countries to facilitate a fruitful involvement of foreign countries in Ganga Rejuvenation.