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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6111 ANSWERED ON:30.04.2015 RESEARCH IN WATER SECTOR Jena Shri Rabindra Kumar

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

- (a) whether the Government is promoting research in the field of water resource sector with regard to levels of pollution in the rivers of the country;
- (b) the details of assistance provided by way of grants to academicians/experts in the Universities, IITs, recognized R&D Laboratories/Institutes for this purpose; and
- (c) the details of financial assistance provided by the Government during the last three years and the current year to Odisha?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD & GR) is promoting research in the field of water resources sector with regard to pollution/water quality in the rivers of the country.

Under National Water Mission, there is a provision for taking up research on `Water Quality Modeling for each major river and aquifer` which also covers the issues of pollution in the rivers of the country.

a) Financial assistance in respect of six research projects amounting to Rs. 66.59 laKh has been provided as per the following details:

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S.No. Institute Amount Provided
1 NEERI, Zonal Office Delhi. Rs. 11.03 lakh
2 NEERINagpur. Rs. 10.00 lakh
3 Janhit Foundation, Meerut. Rs. 2.50 lakh
4 College of Engineering, Rs. 7.71 lakh
Thiruvananthapuram
5 Anna University, Chennai Rs. 6.79 lakh
6 Institute of Environment Rs. 28.56 lakh
and Management and Plant
Sciences, Vikram University, Ujjain
Total amount Rs. 66.59 lakh
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b) Details of assistance provided to projects in the State of Odisha in the last three years and the current year is as under:

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Financial Year Institutes Amount of Assistance provided 2012-13 Nil Nil 2013-14 Nil Nil 2014-15 Directorate of Water a) Rs. 14.26 lakh management, Chandrashekharpur, Bhubaneswar Water and Laud Management b) Rs. 4.00 lakh Institute (WALMI) Cuttuck, Odisha Water and Land Manage- c) Rs. 0.83 lakh ment Institute (WALMI) Cuttuck, Odisha Cuttuck, Odisha
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Current Financial Nil Nil Year (2015-16)