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INCLUSION OF RIVERS IN NRCP

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to include more rivers in the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) for cleaning and abatement of pollution;

(b) if so, the details thereof, river-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (c) This Ministry is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments in abatement of pollution in identified stretches of various rivers under the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) and NGRBA (National Ganga River Basin Authority) programmes, for implementation of projects on a cost sharing basis between the Central and State Governments. NRCP & NGRBA programmes presently cover polluted stretches of 42 rivers in 199 towns spread over 21 States.

Inclusion of new rivers under NRCP is a continuous process based upon prioritized proposals received from the States, funds available under the Plan, degree of pollution, etc. Details of proposals received as per prescribed guidelines from the States for inclusion of new rivers under NRCP is as under :

Sl. No.	Proposals	Estimated Cost (Rs. in crore)	Status
1	Pollution abatement of river Mula-Mutha in Pune, Maharashtra.	638.66	Submitted to Ministry of Finance for Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) assistance.
2	Pollution abatement of river Nag in Nagpur, Maharashtra.	126.30	Sent to the independent appraisal agency.
3	Pollution abatement of Sal River in and around Navelim, Goa.	65.11	Sent to the independent appraisal agency.