

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

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

- (a) the salient features of the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) and the criteria laid down by the Government for identification of stretches of the rivers for abatement of pollution under the programme;
- (b) the details of the proposals received by the Government from various States for development of rivers including Godavari under NRCP and the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (c) the funds allocated/utilised for abatement of pollution of the rivers, during the last three years and the current year, State/river stretch-wise; and
- (d) the success achieved in abatement of pollution of rivers under NRCP?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION;
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TEXTILES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE). (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) is being implemented by the National River Conservation Directorate, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, jointly with the State Governments on a cost-sharing basis. The pollution abatement works under NRCP include all rivers except main stem Ganga river, which is being handled by National Ganga River Basin Authority. The NRCP presently cover identified polluted stretches of 40 major rivers in 121 towns spread over 19 States in the country. The sanctioned cost of the projects under NRCP is Rs.5334.97 crore, against which expenditure of Rs.4680.30 crore has been incurred so far and sewage treatment capacity of 3729.49 million litres per day (mld) has been created.

Inclusion of new rivers under NRCP is a continuous process based upon prioritised proposals received from the States, funds availability, degree of pollution, etc.

(b) As per information provided by MoEF, the details of proposals received for inclusion under NRCP are as below:

Sl. No.	Proposals	Estimated Status
	Cost (Rs. in crore)	
1.	Pollution abatement of river Mula-Mutha in Pune, Maharashtra.	683.66 Submitted to Ministry of Finance for Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) assistance.
2.	Pollution abatement of river Nag in Nagpur, Maharashtra.	126.3 Sent to the independent appraisal agency.
3.	Pollution abatement of Sal River in and around Navelim, Goa	65.11 -do-

Further, under NRCP, works for pollution abatement of river Godavari have been taken up in 7 towns in the States of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh & Telengana at a sanctioned cost of Rs.118.98 crore, and sewage treatment capacity of 185.46 million litres per day (mld) has been created.

(c) The details are placed at Annexure – I.

(d) River-wise details of Sewage Treatment Capacity created under National River Conservation Plan are placed at Annexure – II.