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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5285 ANSWERED ON:14.08.2014 NAMAMI GANGE PROJECT Sonkar Shri Vinod Kumar

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

- (a) the salient features of the Namami Gange Project;
- (b) whether the Government has consulted all the stakeholders in the execution of the project;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the mechanism being put in place for effective implementation of the project?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) "Namami Gange Project" has been announced in the Union Budget 2014-15. An amount of Rs. 2037 crore has been set aside for the Project.

Government of India is committed for rejuvenation of River Ganga. Consultation with different stakeholders viz., Ministries such as Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC); Water Resources, Ganga Rejuvenation and River Development; Urban Development; Tourism; Shipping; Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation; Rural Development, etc., as well as academics, technical experts and NGOs associated with cleaning of river Ganga, is in progress. Crystallization of action plan, including framing of its salient features, time line and likely expenditure would be known only after the finalisation of this Project.

National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), a registered society implements the river Ganga pollution abatement programme under National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA). NGRBA is an empowered body for planning, financing, monitoring and coordination for ensuring effective abatement of pollution and conservation of the river Ganga.