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Title: Need to create a Yamuna River Basin Authority to monitor schemes meant for cleaning river Yamuna.

SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY (MATHURA): Discharge of untreated sewage and industrial effluents into the River Yamuna has rendered it grossly polluted. The Central Pollution Control Board has accepted before the Supreme Court that water quality of the Yamuna does not meet desired criteria in Dissolved Oxygen (DO), Bio-chemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Coliforms. CAG and civil society have pointed out a number of polluting industries along the Yamuna which have not put up effluent treatment plants.

The people of my constituency Mathura are anguished over dysfunctional sewage treatment plants and flow of sewage direct into a river, which has historical, religious and economic value for the people.

I urge the Government to take a holistic view and create a Yamuna River Basin Authority that will plan and oversee implementation across the stretch of the river.