

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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CONSERVATION AND REJUVENATION OF RIVER GODAVARI

2954. SHRI RAJABHAU PARAG PRAKASH WAJE

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any specific ongoing programme for effective abatement of pollution, conservation and rejuvenation of River Godavari in and around Nashik city;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the current status of various segments of the programmes;
- (c) whether the Government has any specific and concrete plans for ensuring that the River Godavari in and around Nashik city is pollution free before the mega event of Kumbh Mela scheduled to be held in 2027; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the budgetary provisions and allocations made in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) to (d) It is the primary responsibility of States/Union Territories (UTs) and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to ensure required treatment of sewage and industrial effluents to the prescribed norms before discharging into the rivers and other water bodies. The Govt of India provides financial and technical support to the states and ULBs under various programs like National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) for river basins other than Ganga and Atal Mission or Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).

As per the State Government, 11 STPs have been installed in six sewerage zones in Nashik with a capacity of 392.5 MLD against the sewage generation of 365 MLD.

Under NRCP, for conservation of the river Godavari, sewage treatment plants (STP) of capacity 100 MLD at Nashik has been setup. A sewage treatment capacity of 18 MLD at Gangapur and 32 MLD at Pimpalgaon Khamb has been created under AMRUT 1.0.

As per the Trimbak Municipal Council, to prevent pollution in the river Godavari, presently, 1.9 MLD STP has been created. Considering the increase in floating population and the upcoming Kumbh Mela, a treatment capacity of 4.5 MLD STP work has been sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 34.00 Crore by State Government in the Maharashtra Rajya Suvarna Jayanti Nagarotthan Yojana Scheme.
