

Need for comprehensive measures to preserve the existence of river Pahuj flowing through Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh- Laid.

SHRI ANURAG SHARMA (JHANSI): The Pahuj River flows through the Indian states of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. It has a length of approximately 195 kilometers and passes through the city of Jhansi. The river originates from the hills of Tikamgarh district in Madhya Pradesh, near Jhansi. It merges with the Sindh River in Jalaun district, Uttar Pradesh, which eventually joins the Yamuna River. The river holds religious significance for the local people. However, currently, sewage and wastewater from Jhansi city are being discharged into it. In the upper region of the Pahuj River, water from villages like Simarda flows into it, while in the lower region, water from colonies such as University, Pali Colony, Ayodhyapuri, and Graceland also drains into the river. Due to administrative and developmental shortcomings, unauthorized colonies have been constructed in the river's catchment and submerged areas without approved maps. In the interest of environmental conservation, it is a humble request that the Irrigation Department, Municipal Corporation, District Administration, and relevant authorities take effective measures to prevent encroachment, protect the environment, and preserve the existence of the river.