

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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POLLUTION AROUND TAJ
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated or proposed to formulate any plan to make the Taj Mahal and its adjoining areas especially Mathura pollution free; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ) including cities of Mathura, Agra and adjoining areas, has been notified where establishment/expansion of polluting industries are prohibited. Under Taj Protection Mission scheme, various projects including water supply of Mathura-Vrindavan and Gokul barrage are being implemented. It has also been decided that no TTZ projects beyond 5 KMs around the Taj Mahal and not as per the Central Pollution Control Board guidelines shall be undertaken for implementation.