

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

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AIR QUALITY MONITORING STATIONS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of cities in the country where the Government is going to set up Air. quality monitoring stations;
- (b) whether the Government has sanctioned/proposes to sanction the setting up of Air quality monitoring stations at Patna, Jodhpur, Pune and Sholapur also; (q) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefore; and
- (e) the details of expenditure likely to be incurred on the setting up of these stations?

Answer

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

- (a) Under the National Air Quality Monitoring Programme (NAMP), 283 air quality monitoring stations covering 109 cities/towns in 25 States and 4 Union Territories have been established to monitor air quality.
- (b)to(e)Under the NAMP, monitoring stations have already been established at Patna (2 nos.), Jodhpur (3 nos.), Pune (3 nos.) and Sholapur (2 nos.). In addition, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) under the Ministry, has released its 50% share, out of Rs. 80 lakhs required for establishment of a Continuous Air Quality Monitoring Station, for these cities during the current financial year.