GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:607 ANSWERED ON:23.07.2015 Extinction of Rivers Karunakaran Shri P.;Koshyari Shri Bhagat Singh

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has carried out any counting of rivers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of rivers which have become extinct;
- (c) whether there is any scheme for rejuvenation of the extinct rivers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

(PROF. SANWAR LAL JAT)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) Using remote sensing data of 2009-10, for the first time, a total length of 42,86,603 Km of rivers/streams have been mapped. Out of all rivers / streams mapped, 15615 rivers have been identified by name. the numbers of rivers which have become extinct cannot be determined since no earlier data is available for comparison purposes.
- (c) & (d) Do not arise since the data regarding the number of rivers which have become extinct is not available.
