

Progress Under Namami Gange Mission

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In Namami Gange project total number of 155 projects for various activities such as sewage infrastructure, river front development, ghat and crematoria, ghat cleaning, rural sanitation etc. has been sanctioned. Out of 155 projects 39 numbers of projects have been completed so far.

Cleaning of river Ganga is being carried out through various activities including treatment of municipal sewage, treatment of industrial effluent, river surface cleaning, rural sanitation, afforestation and biodiversity etc. The municipal sewage being generated in cities on the banks of Ganga is being managed by a mix of Interception & Diversion projects, sewerage network and sewage treatment plant (STP) projects.

The four stretches of river Ganga where Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) levels are more than permissible limits, as monitored by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) is given in table below:

State	Stretch	Identified Length of Stretch (Km)	BOD range/ max value (mg/l)
Uttarakhand	Haridwar to Sultanpur Adampur	10	4.2-5.8
Uttar Pradesh	Kannauj to Varanasi	450	3.8-16.9
Bihar	Buxar to Bhagalpur	40	7.8-27
West Bengal	Tribeni to Diamond Harbour	50	3.1-5.8

In other stretches, BOD levels are within permissible limits i.e. ≤ 3 mg/l. However, as per monitoring reports of CPCB, entire stretch of river Ganga has high levels of faecal coliform against the prescribed limits.

The detailed status of break-up of funds spent/released to the states from Financial Year 2014-15 to 2017-18 till 30.06.2017 are given below.

Rs. in crores

States	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	Grand Total
Bihar		120.23	82.03	0.20	202.46
Jharkhand	0.97	27.83	46.18	2.47	77.45
UP	74.58	147.58	587.17	38.22	847.55
Uttarakhand	4.26	30.26	30.66	16.26	81.44
West Bengal	73.85	185.79	114.25	0.11	374.00
Haryana		30.00	52.73	0.00	82.73
Delhi		4.96	2.17	2.66	9.79

This information was given by Union Minister of State for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Shri Vijay Goel in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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