

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 249
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2018**

Water Quality Assessment Authority

†249. **Shri BhagwanthKhuba**

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a Water Quality Assessment Authority;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the mandate proposed to be given to the Authority?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)**

(a) to (c) There is no proposal with this Ministry for setting-up of the Water Quality Assessment Authority (WQAA). However, as reported by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) a Water Quality Assessment Authority (WQAA) had earlier been constituted under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 in May 2001 under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests. The tenure of the WQAA was extended from time to time and then it was decided that the tenure of WQAA would not be extended beyond 31/03/2017.
