

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1650

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019

CANTONMENT ON BANK OF GANGA

1650. SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to safeguard the cantonments located on the banks of river Ganga;
- (b) whether there is any scheme for beautification of the cantonments on the banks of river Ganga and its ghats; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)  
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**(a) to (c):** Out of 62 Cantonments, only four Cantonments i.e. Allahabad, Barrackpore, Fatehgarh and Kanpur are located on the banks of river Ganga. Steps taken in Cantonment that are on the banks of Ganga include:

- (i) With regard to Allahabad Cantonment, permission was given to the State Government this year for various arrangements such as street lighting, temporary ghats, roads etc in respect of Kumbh Mela-2019. Permission has also been issued to use of defence land for Riverfront development work under Namami Gange Programme on Yamuna Ghats of Allahabad which is in Sangam area.
- (ii) With regard to Barrackpore Cantonment, all ghats have been beautified and bounded with brickwork. Also the edge of land along river Ganga bounded with brick pitching to guard land erosion.
- (iii) With regard to Fatehgarh Cantonment, embankment already exists on river bank. Further, mining of sand is strictly prohibited.
- (iv) With regard to Kanpur Cantonment, embankments exist on river banks.

While doing so, security concerns of Cantonment have been taken due care of.

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