GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 1183 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2020

Implementation of National Clean Air Programme

1183. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) has not been notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 or The Air (Prevention and Control) Act, 1981; and
- (b) if so, the manner in which Government will ensure strict implementation of the programme as the targets are not legally binding on any authority or polluters?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a)&(b) The Central Government launched National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) as a long-term, time-bound, national level strategy aiming to reduce PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations by 20 % to 30 % by 2024 keeping 2017 as the base year for the comparison of concentration.

City specific action plans have been prepared for ground implementation in all nonattainment cities. Steering, Monitoring and Implementation Committees have been constituted at central level and state level for overall guidance, policy formulation and implementation of NCAP. CPCB is assisting the State Governments in formulation, implementation and monitoring of the city specific action plans.
