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Government Committed To Take Steps To Reduce Pollution

Suggestions Invited From Public

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USPA NEWS - The Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Independent Charge), Mr. Prakash Javadekar addressing a press conference on measures for pollution control monitoring, in New Delhi on June 30, 2015. Secretary, Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Mr. Ashok Lavasa is also seen.

The Government has reiterated its commitment to take steps to mitigate pollution and has also sought public participation in its endeavors.

Addressing a press conference on various measures undertaken for monitoring pollution on June 30, Minister of State of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Mr. Prakash Javadekar, said that the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has started receiving online data on status of compliance on the discharge of effluents and emissions by the industry.

The Minister said that out of 2, 800 industries, more than 920 industries have installed 24Ã—7 monitoring devices to monitor emissions and effluents. The Minister also said that another 400 industrial units have moved towards ensuring Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD). Directions have been issued for closure of some non-complying polluting units.

The Minister emphasized that the cleaning of Ganga is a top priority. A complete upgradation of these CETPs has been planned to achieve Zero Liquid Discharge.

The Minister also invited suggestions from the public on a set of four Draft Waste Management Rules, 2015, namely Draft Solid Waste Management Rules, 2015, Draft Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2015, Draft E-Waste Management Rules, 2015, Draft Biomedical Waste Management Rules, 2015. These Draft Waste Management Rules have been put up under the link "" New Releases on the Ministry's websites "" www.moef.nic.in and www.moef.gov.in. The Government has also invited suggestions from the public on the Draft Fly Ash Utilization Amendment Notification, 2015.

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