

PARLIAMENT MATTER

Pollution Control Planning (PCP) Division, CPCB is co-ordinating with various Divisions / Regional Directorates of CPCB, State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs) and Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for obtaining inputs on the Parliament Questions, Assurance etc. raised by Hon'ble Member of Parliament for submitting reply material timely to the MoEF&CC and other Ministries.

The details of the Parliament Session in a year are as follow:

S. No.	Session	Period			
1	Budget session	January/February to May (12 Weeks)			
2	Monsoon session	July to August/September (5-6 Weeks)			
3	Winter session	November to December (5 Weeks)			

The important environmental issues generally raised in various sessions are:

- Water, Air and Noise Quality status in cities and steps taken to control such pollution
- > Trends of pollution and measures taken / proposed to prevent pollution
- Industrial pollution control and its compliance status of Highly Polluting Industries and action taken by Board
- > Status of Vehicular pollution status and actions taken for control
- Quantum of Hazardous Waste, e-waste, Solid Waste, Plastic Waste, C&D waste generated and the percentage of waste recycled and its management
- ➤ Presence of toxic substances in groundwater and their adverse effects
- > Status of Polluted River Stretched, Non –Attainment cities, Critically Polluted Areas
- ➤ Status of Rejuvenation of Polluted River Stretches
- > Financial assistance to CPCB / SPCBs / PCCs for execution of Central Sector Schemes
- ➤ Implementation of ban on Single Use Plastics
- Disposal and management of Fly Ash by Thermal Power Plants
- Air Quality Index Status over Years and improvement, if any

➤ Implementation status of various Environment Standards notified under EPA and its compliances etc.

The number of Parliament Questions handled during last 8 years are:

Year	2024*	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Total Questions received	158	746	711	661	386	612	665	590
Admitted Questions	87	414	433	423	265	510	492	387
Starred Questions	9	54	35	45	21	46	46	35

^{*(}as on 12.08.2024)

At the end of each session, attempts are being made to analyse the various issues raised relating to environment / pollution control and accordingly such issues are incorporated to initiate study /actions, for formulation of action plans and programmes.