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The Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Shri. Nitin Gadkari has appointed Philanthropist and social worker Nanik Rupani as a resource person in Mumbai to motivate people to contribute to 'Clean Ganga Fund' and join hands with the Clean Ganga Mission initiated by the Government of India.

"This will re-connect the people, specially the Corporates and Industrialists with river Ganga and contribute generously towards this noble cause", said Gadkari in a letter to Rupani on December 28, 2018, while appointing him to undertake this responsibility.

Rupani, founder Chairman of Priyadarshini Academy, Past President of Indo-American

Chambers of Commerce and former President of Indian Merchants Chamber, has appealed to the people to contribute to the Clean Ganga fund. He said that cleaning of Ganga was an important task undertaken by the Centre and he would do his best to mobilize people to contribute wholeheartedly to the Clean Ganga Fund.

According to Gadkari, Namami Gange is an Integrated Conservation Mission for River Ganga set up by the Government of India as an umbrella programme for restoring the wholesomeness of River Ganga. This work has been entrusted to National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), a special purpose vehicle set up by the government with a status of an authority to rejuvenate River Ganga.



National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)

National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) was registered as a society on 12th August 2011 under the Societies Registration Act 1860. It acted as implementation arm of National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) which was constituted under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act (EPA), 1986. NGRBA has since been dissolved with effect from the 7th October 2016, consequent to constitution of National Council for Rejuvenation, Protection and Management of River Ganga (referred as National Ganga Council) vide notification no. S.O. 3187(E) dt. 7th October 2016 under EPA 1986.

The Act envisages five tier structure at national, state and district level to take measures for prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution in river Ganga and to ensure continuous adequate flow of water so as to rejuvenate the river Ganga as below;

1. National Ganga Council under chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.
2. Empowered Task Force (ETF) on river Ganga under chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.
3. National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG).
4. State Ganga Committees and
5. District Ganga Committees in every specified district abutting river Ganga and its tributaries in the states.

NMCG has a two tier management structure and comprises of Governing Council and Executive Committee. Both of them are

headed by Director General, NMCG. Executive Committee has been authorized to accord approval for all projects up to Rs.1000 crore. Similar to structure at national level, State Programme Management Groups (SPMGs) acts as implementing arm of State Ganga Committees. Thus the newly created structure attempts to bring all stakeholders on one platform to take a holistic approach towards the task of Ganga cleaning and rejuvenation.

The Director General (DG) of NMCG is a Additional Secretary in Government of India. For effective implementation of the projects under the overall supervision of NMCG, the State Level Program Management Groups (SPMGs) are, also headed by senior officers of the concerned States.

