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RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION



## Message

It gives me immense pleasure to learn that International River Congress 2021 is being organised by South Asian Institute for Advance Research & Development (SAIARD) for Indian and foreign experts, academicians, stakeholders and investors to deliberate on regional level planning and management of river resources allocation. Rivers are vital ecosystems of India. Since millennia they have been a major provider of resources for our essential needs such as irrigation, transport, fish production, industries, municipal water sources, recreation and sports, tourism, art, culture and spiritual attainments. Throwing of domestic waste, direct joining of sewage water in the river, solid waste, including plastics, which causes blockage in flow of water are some of the issues plaguing our rivers today. So, it is our duty to save the river in its natural form. A proper methodology for such accounting is essential for the planned management of our river resources. The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India has taken up various projects to save the sacred river Ganga and other rivers, to maintain minimum ecological flows in the river Ganga with the aim of ensuring water quality and environmentally sustainable development & to ensure effective abatement of pollution and rejuvenation of rivers.

I welcome the efforts of SAIARD in taking this initiative of focusing on river resources allocation at this "International River Congress", where scientists & stakeholders, who actually research for the wellbeing of rivers, from all over come together and share their ideas with each other. They have opened a platform to discuss about River Basin Management, Livelihood of the people of the river surrounded area, River Economy to create a better future etc.

I would like to congratulate SAIARD for organising this event and wish them a successful congress. focus of the International River Congress 2021 on river resources allocation at international levels.

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