



Jal Shakti Mantralaya

National River Conservation Directorate (NRCD) has been shifted from the Ministry of Environment and Forest and Climate Change to Jal shakti Ministry.

- Move aims at **consolidating** administration and bringing water-related issues like conservation, development, management, and abatement of pollution under a **single ministry**.
- **National River Conservation Directorate (NRCD)** is responsible for implementing the [centrally sponsored](#) national river conservation plan for all rivers across the country except river Ganga and its tributaries (as issues related to Ganga and its tributaries are taken up by [National Mission for Clean Ganga](#)).

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- The government has created a new Ministry called **'Jal Shakti'** after merging **Ministries of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation** along with **Drinking Water and Sanitation**.
- 'Jal Shakti' ministry will encompass issues ranging from providing **clean drinking water**, international and inter-states **water disputes**, to the **Namami Gange** project aimed at cleaning Ganga and its tributaries, and sub-tributaries.
- The ministry will roll out the government's ambitious **plan ('Nal se Jal' scheme** under jal jivan plan) to provide [piped water connection to every household in India by 2024](#).

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