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Industrial pollution of river water is a significant environmental issue in India. Discuss the various mitigation measures to deal with this problem and also the government's initiative in this regard.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · GS III · 10 marks · Environment and Conservation

Conservation, environmental pollution and degradation, environmental impact assessment.

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Water Act, 1974

Parent pollution statute: consent to discharge, sampling, and board directions, with later closure powers in practice via EPA as well.

Namami Gange

The Union's integrated Ganga programme, including industrial cluster and sewage components under NMCG.

CETP

Common effluent treatment plant for many small units that cannot each run a full treatment line.

ZLD

Zero liquid discharge, used in some critically polluted textile and tannery belts so treated water is reused, not returned to the drain.

GPI

Grossly Polluting Industries on the **Ganga basin**, inventoried for inspection and compliance.

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