'You will see aviral Ganga from March '19'

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Union water resources minister Nitin Gadkari on Wednesday claimed that the government had "freed Kanpur from the ill-effects of Sisamau drain after 128 years", considered as one of the main polluters of Ganga, and that significant changes would be visible on the ground after March next year.

Banking on 254 sanctioned projects at an estimated cost of Rs 24,000 crore, he said he would like to assure people that "their dream of rejuvenated Ganga will soon be fulfilled".

He was speaking here at the India Water Impact Summit 2018 during which the government released Ganga River Basin Management Plan of five main stem river basin-states and launched Green Ganga App which will be used for geo-tagging saplings. He also said the 'Aviralta' (uninterrupted flow) of river Ganga had also been given importance and a notification had been published in October to ensure that required level of ecological flow was always maintained.