

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of reply part (a) above, reply to part (b) does not arise.

Integration of NRCP in Ministry of WRRDGR

1536. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cabinet Secretariat had sought the comments of the Ministry to integrate the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) in the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (WRRDGR);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry has submitted the comments to the Cabinet Secretariat and whether this matter has been resolved; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Expenditure Finance Committee, while considering the National Hydrology Project of Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD&GR), recommended that to ensure an integrated approach at national level, National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) and the Directorate should be transferred from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to MoWR, RD&GR. Based on a reference in this regard from Finance Secretary, the Cabinet Secretariat sought comments of this Ministry.

(c) and (d) The comments of this Ministry have been submitted to the Cabinet Secretariat in February, 2016.

Schemes for environmental conservation

1537. SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes implemented by Government for environmental conservation in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the environmental conservation is in a critical stage in various States of the country;