

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 673**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021

**Expansion of forest cover**

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan in respect of environment conservation and expansion of forest cover;
- (b) if so, the details of expanded forest cover by means of afforestation;
- (c) the details of funds provided for conservation and afforestation during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise; and
- (d) the details of the funds allocated and amount utilised in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**  
**(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)**

- (a) Various schemes are being implemented by Central and State Government for improvement of forest cover in the country. These include National Afforestation Programme (NAP) and Green India Mission (GIM) being implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. Afforestation activities are also taken up under various programmes/funding sources such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, Compensatory Afforestation Funds under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA). Afforestation activities are also taken up under various schemes of State Government /UT Administration.

Besides the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is also implementing National Agroforestry Policy since 2014. One of the goal of the National Agroforestry Policy 2014 is meeting the ever increasing demand of timber, food, fuel, fodder, fertilizer, fibre and other agroforestry products, conserving the natural resources and forest; protecting the environment & providing environmental security; and increasing the forest/tree cover. Also, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the holistic growth of the horticulture sector covering fruits, vegetables, root & tuber crops, mushrooms, spices, flowers, aromatic plants, coconut, cashew, cocoa and bamboo.

- (b) The multi-departmental efforts have yielded good results in conserving environment by addressing the problem of deforestation. Government's efforts to plant more trees have also been reflected in the assessments in biennial India State of Forest Reports (ISFR).

The forest and tree cover as reported in the latest ISFR-2019 has increased by 13,209 square kilometre as compared to that of ISFR 2015 assessment.

- (c) & (d) The State/UT-wise details of fund released under National Afforestation Programme Green India Mission and Compensatory Afforestation Funds for the last three years are given in **Annexure-I, II and III.**

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) & (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 673 due for answer on 08.02.2021 regarding 'Expansion of forest cover'.

Details of State wise funds released under National Afforestation Programme

(Rupees in Crore)				
S. No.	State	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
1	Andhra Pradesh	3.36	6.38	0.00
2	Bihar	4.23	0.00	1.18
3	Chhattisgarh	10.86	7.82	5.71
4	Goa	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Gujarat	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	Haryana	2.71	0.00	0.00
7	Himachal Pradesh	1.73	2.92	0.52
8	Jammu & Kashmir	7.20	0.00	0.00
9	Jharkhand	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Karnataka	3.24	10.99	0.00
11	Kerala	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	Madhya Pradesh	8.74	7.78	0.00
13	Maharashtra	6.73	15.33	0.00
14	Odisha	3.49	11.36	8.45
15	Punjab	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Rajasthan	1.40	1.95	0.00
17	Tamil Nadu	0.00	2.07	0.00
18	Telangana	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Uttar Pradesh	0.67	0.32	0.00
20	Uttarakhand	3.36	2.58	0.00
21	West Bengal	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total (Other States)	57.71	69.51	15.87
	North Eastern States			
22	Arunachal Pradesh	0.86	0.00	0.00
23	Assam	0.00	0.58	0.00
24	Manipur	3.20	4.38	0.00
25	Meghalaya	1.65	0.74	0.00
26	Mizoram	5.80	7.79	0.00
27	Nagaland	5.85	6.41	2.35
28	Sikkim	0.00	5.98	0.00
29	Tripura	4.94	0.00	3.76
	Total (NE States)	22.29	25.87	6.11
	Total	80.00	95.38	21.98

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**State-wise details of funds released under Green India Mission.**

**(Rupees in Crore)**

Sl. No.	State	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
1	Andhra Pradesh	0.4460	2.6662	-
2	Chhattisgarh	10.953	5.3607	5.0360
3	Karnataka	0.85734	1.6234	2.2099
4	Kerala	-	-	16.3181
5	Manipur	6.4158	4.8881	4.16229
6	Mizoram	20.00	22.364	17.70901
7	Odisha	1.4056	4.7433	14.18919
8	Punjab	6.2173	-	3.1857
9	Madhya Pradesh	-	24.159	30.65298
10	Maharashtra	-	10.302	-
11	Sikkim	-	3.3236	3.1242
12	West Bengal			9.426488
<b>Total</b>		<b>46.29504</b>	<b>79.4303</b>	<b>106.014</b>



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Details of fund released from Adhoc CAMPA for Implementation of APOs of State CAMPA  
(Rupees in Crore)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1.33	1.56	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	97.00	104.47	322.97
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	354.15	0.00
4	Assam	70.00	45.84	55.89
5	Bihar	30.31	46.62	140.08
6	Chandigarh	1.13	1.27	1.87
7	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	848.51
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Goa	0.00	0.00	17.95
12	Gujarat	27.00	212.66	0.00
13	Haryana	80.00	144.20	96.84
14	Himachal Pradesh	120.00	132.52	145.82
15	Jammu & Kashmir	69.00	0.00	0.00
16	Jharkhand	234.00	286.25	399.29
17	Karnataka	86.00	101.40	146.21
18	Kerala	8.00	14.61	0.00
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	200.00	268.76	506.38
21	Maharashtra	199.00	225.00	499.38
22	Manipur	29.50	24.85	30.36
23	Meghalaya	7.00	0.00	0.00
24	Mizoram	6.85	8.30	19.23
25	Nagaland	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	Odisha	509.00	554.00	592.52
27	Puducherry	0.00	0.00	0.00
28	Punjab	64.00	79.20	64.72
29	Rajasthan	179.00	182.03	267.69
30	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	54.38
31	Tamil Nadu	12.68	7.00	0.00
32	Telangana	127.00	237.38	510.00
33	Tripura	7.10	16.70	16.74
34	Uttar Pradesh	144.00	150.60	285.68
35	Uttarakhand	96.00	303.00	218.00
36	West Bengal	0.00	21.22	70.07
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,404.90</b>	<b>3,523.59</b>	<b>5310.68</b>