

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1644
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2025

Forest fire management project

1644. SHRI MAHENDRA BHATT:

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

- (a) the date on which the Forest Fire Management Project has been implemented; and
- (b) whether any provision has been made by the Central Government in the said project regarding the forest fire incidents occurring in the State of Uttarakhand and the nature thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) and (b) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change supports the efforts of the States/ UTs including the State of Uttarakhand in prevention and control of forest fires by providing financial assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely Forest Fire Prevention and Management Scheme which is being implemented since financial year 2017-18.

Under the Scheme, the assistance is provided to the States/UTs including to the State of Uttarakhand for various forest fire prevention and management measures such as use of communication and information technology, creation and maintenance of fire lines in forest areas, engagement of fire watchers, creation of water storage structures in forest areas, strengthening of forest infrastructure, procurement of firefighting equipment, soil and moisture conservation works in high risk areas, awareness creation and such other activities.
