

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1496
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.12.2018

Conversion of forest land for non-forestry purposes

1496. SHRI K.K. RAGESH:

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

- (a) the State-wise details about area of forest land converted for non-forest purposes, during the last three years;
- (b) purposes for such conversion of forest land and the area converted for each purpose; and
- (c) State-wise details of such conversion of forest land for infrastructural and industrial purposes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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- (a) State/UT-wise list of forest land diverted for non-forest purposes is annexed as Annexure-A.
- (b)&(c) Category-wise list of forest land diverted for non-forest purposes including infrastructural and industrial purposes in States/UTs is annexed as Annexure-B.

Annexure-A referred in the answer to part 'a' of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 1469 by Shri K.K. RAGESH due for answer 24.12.2018 regarding 'Conversion of Forest land for non-forestry purposes'

State/UTs-wise list of forest land diverted for non-forest purposes

Category : All Categories		During the Period : <u>01/01/2015 to 19/12/2018</u>	
Case Status : APPROVED			
S. No.	States/UTs	No. of Cases	Area Diverted (in ha.)
1	Andaman and Nicobar	6	20.14
2	Andhra Pradesh	34	3474.57
3	Arunachal Pradesh	12	451.37
4	Assam	0	0.00

5	Bihar	118	1129.38
6	Chandigarh	2	0.39
7	Chhattisgarh	35	3770.87
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	9	5.40
9	Daman and Diu	0	0.00
10	Delhi	1	12.00
11	Goa	8	42.75
12	Gujarat	107	2008.08
13	Haryana	906	1480.60
14	Himachal Pradesh	123	910.90
15	Jammu and Kashmir	0	0.00
16	Jharkhand	30	685.90
17	Karnataka	61	784.75
18	Kerala	8	15.82
19	Lakshadweep	0	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	210	12730.75
21	Maharashtra	33	3797.16
22	Manipur	7	263.20
23	Meghalaya	2	142.93
24	Mizoram	1	0.24
25	Nagaland	0	0.00
26	Orissa	57	4968.28
27	Pondicherry	0	0.00
28	Punjab	684	1376.18
29	Rajasthan	78	2789.97
30	Sikkim	8	24.30
31	Tamil Nadu	11	542.40
32	Telangana	29	7878.48
33	Tripura	9	83.98
34	Uttar Pradesh	4	163.76
35	Uttarakhand	243	2823.51
36	West Bengal	9	291.15
Grand Total		2845	52669.24

Annexure-B referred in the answer to part 'b' & 'c' of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 1469 by Shri K.K. RAGESH due for answer 24.12.2018 regarding 'Conversion of Forest land for non- forestry purposes'.

Category-wise list of forest land diverted for non-forest purpose in States/UTs.

S.	State & Category wise	During the Period : 01/01/2015 to 19/12/2018
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No.		No. of Proposal Name	Area diverted (in Ha.)
1	Andaman and Nicobar	6	20.14
	Others	1	0.03
	Road	5	20.11
2	Andhra Pradesh	34	3474.57
	Borehole Prospecting	1	153.11
	Defence	1	1187.50
	Industry	1	0.49
	Irrigation	4	323.81
	Mining	14	1265.75
	Others	3	3.27
	Quarrying	2	7.67
	Road	6	527.90
	Transmission Line	2	5.06
3	Arunachal Pradesh	12	451.37
	Road	12	451.37
4	Bihar	118	1129.38
	Irrigation	1	60.41
	Others	67	8.67
	Railway	3	6.13
	Road	38	1023.83
	Transmission Line	9	30.34
5	Chandigarh	2	0.39
	Others	1	0.02
	Road	1	0.37
6	Chhattisgarh	35	3770.87
	Industry	2	36.46
	Irrigation	5	521.02
	Mining	14	1983.78
	Others	4	105.91
	Railway	3	138.40
	Road	1	2.67
	Thermal	1	114.36
	Transmission Line	5	868.27
7	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	9	5.40
	Drinking Water	1	0.21
	Others	7	5.14
	School	1	0.06
8	Delhi	1	12.00
	Defence	1	12.00
9	Goa	8	42.75
	Drinking Water	1	0.81
	Mining	1	17.31

	Others	1	0.11
	Quarrying	1	0.90
	Road	3	23.48
	Transmission Line	1	0.15
	Gujarat	107	2008.08
10	Industry	1	0.74
	Irrigation	4	1072.11
	Others	62	41.70
	Railway	4	22.81
	Road	24	634.10
	Transmission Line	10	95.00
	Wind Power	2	141.62
		Haryana	906
11	Approach Access	49	1.88
	Dispensary/Hospital	1	0.02
	Drinking Water	9	6.13
	Forest Village Conversion	1	0.04
	Hydel	1	0.00
	Industry	18	2.28
	Irrigation	7	10.77
	Others	470	151.95
	Railway	16	78.48
	Rehabilitation	1	0.20
	Road	276	1049.59
	School	5	0.12
	Transmission Line	51	179.10
	Village Electricity	1	0.02
		Himachal Pradesh	123
12	Dispensary/Hospital	2	1.03
	Drinking Water	5	15.28
	Hydel	14	79.86
	Industry	1	60.29
	Mining	2	86.54
	Others	35	134.35
	Quarrying	3	5.94
	Railway	1	54.25
	Road	43	326.68
	School	4	6.63
	Transmission Line	8	134.64
	Village Electricity	5	5.42
		Jharkhand	30
13	Mining	6	314.16
	Others	8	33.99
	Railway	2	7.19
	Road	7	155.82

	Thermal	1	101.92	
	Transmission Line	6	72.82	
	Karnataka	61	784.75	
14	Defence	1	24.50	
	Dispensary/Hospital	1	2.02	
	Drinking Water	5	17.69	
	Hydel	3	18.66	
	Irrigation	4	127.24	
	Mining	5	147.65	
	Others	15	244.38	
	Quarrying	1	2.21	
	Road	14	122.75	
	School	1	0.80	
	Transmission Line	6	37.28	
	Wind Power	5	39.58	
		Kerala	8	15.82
	15	Hydel	1	0.25
Irrigation		2	9.70	
Others		3	1.99	
Road		1	0.00	
Transmission Line		1	3.88	
		Madhya Pradesh	210	12730.75
16	Borehole Prospecting	1	5.00	
	Defence	4	5793.87	
	Drinking Water	5	9.29	
	Forest Village Conversion	15	1451.20	
	Irrigation	37	2588.31	
	Mining	13	1049.72	
	Optical Fibre Cable	4	2.79	
	Others	80	147.23	
	Railway	4	74.36	
	Road	22	268.18	
	School	2	8.75	
	Thermal	2	43.28	
	Transmission Line	20	1288.47	
	Village Electricity	1	0.30	
	Maharashtra	33	3797.16	
17	Drinking Water	2	2.70	
	Industry	1	87.97	
	Irrigation	10	2137.63	
	Mining	6	482.00	
	Others	5	252.08	
	Railway	1	0.00	
	Rehabilitation	1	300.00	
	Road	5	88.91	

	Transmission Line	2	445.86
18	Manipur	7	263.20
	Road	6	238.66
	Transmission Line	1	24.54
19	Meghalaya	2	142.93
	Mining	2	142.93
20	Mizoram	1	0.24
	Others	1	0.24
21	Orissa	57	4968.28
	Drinking Water	2	69.06
	Industry	2	6.95
	Mining	27	4129.47
	Others	10	42.08
	Quarrying	1	8.09
	Railway	8	521.77
	Road	2	1.06
	Transmission Line	5	189.80
22	Punjab	684	1376.18
	Approach Access	14	0.21
	Defence	1	3.06
	Dispensary/Hospital	4	0.17
	Drinking Water	4	0.90
	Hydel	4	1.72
	Industry	38	1.98
	Irrigation	8	12.97
	Others	322	83.32
	Railway	10	241.78
	Road	154	902.51
	School	8	0.10
	Transmission Line	116	127.46
	Village Electricity	1	0.00
23	Rajasthan	78	2789.97
	Defence	1	0.00
	Drinking Water	2	1.42
	Irrigation	5	2162.75
	Mining	1	114.94
	Others	4	155.98
	Road	49	171.52
	Transmission Line	16	183.36
24	Sikkim	8	24.30
	Hydel	1	0.34
	Others	2	0.95
	Road	5	23.01
25	Tamil Nadu	11	542.40
	Irrigation	2	49.15

	Others	3	458.31
	Road	2	1.77
	Transmission Line	4	33.17
	Telangana	29	7878.48
26	Irrigation	3	3179.75
	Mining	9	2428.68
	Others	4	260.89
	Quarrying	1	4.63
	Railway	2	2.14
	Road	5	47.64
	Thermal	1	1892.35
	Transmission Line	3	62.10
	Village Electricity	1	0.30
		Tripura	9
27	Defence	2	1.78
	Others	2	11.76
	Railway	2	25.19
	Road	2	37.57
	Transmission Line	1	7.68
		Uttar Pradesh	4
28	Industry	1	0.00
	Road	3	163.76
		Uttarakhand	243
29	Drinking Water	9	4.66
	Hydel	1	39.88
	Irrigation	2	0.19
	Mining	1	35.36
	Others	26	1564.28
	Railway	2	564.02
	Road	192	582.93
	School	1	1.62
	Transmission Line	4	11.55
	Village Electricity	5	19.02
		West Bengal	9
30	Mining	4	257.95
	Others	2	2.60
	Road	1	1.92
	Transmission Line	2	28.68
		Grand Total	2845