GOVENMETN OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIAMTE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1789 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2023

National Mission for Green India

1789. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

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

- (a) whether Government has established any mission named National Mission for a Green India (GIM), if so, the aims and objectives thereof;
- (b) whether the Mission has been able to achieve its aims and objectives, so far, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the dedicated forest corridors developed by Government under GIM; and
- (d) the details of the steps undertaken by Government to maintain 33 per cent of the forest area?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) National Mission for a Green India (GIM) is one of the eight Missions under the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC). It aims at protecting, restoring and enhancing India's forest cover and responding to Climate Change. The objectives of the Mission are to increase forest/tree cover and improve quality of forest cover, improve ecosystem services including biodiversity and hydrological services, increase forest-based livelihood income of households living in and around the forests, and enhance annual CO₂ sequestration.
- (b) & (c) The activities under National Mission for a Green India were started in the financial year 2015-16. So far, a sum of Rs. 728.21 Crores have been released to sixteen States and one union territory for taking up the afforestation over an area of 136808 ha.
 - (d) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change supports the State/Union Territories for carrying out afforestation activities under National Mission for a Green India, CAMPA and Development of Wildlife Habitats (DWH). Further, afforestation is also being carried out by the States/Union Territories under various schemes of Central Government and State Government to increase the overall forest area of the country.
