

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.844
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2023

Status of the draft National Forest Policy

844. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether Indian forests are currently governed by National Forest Policy (NFP) of 1988;
- (b) whether the Ministry released a draft NFP in 2016, 2017 and a revised draft in 2019; and
- (c) the current status of the Draft National Forest Policy?

ANSWER

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

- (a)to(c) Currently, the Indian Forestry is guided by the National Forest Policy, 1988. A draft National Forest Policy to update the existing policy has been prepared after wide stakeholder consultations. Based on suggestions and comments received from various stakeholders including State Governments/ UTs, Central Government Ministries/ Departments, initiatives have been taken to revise National Forest Policy.
