

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 684
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2024

Funds to Goa for conservation of water bodies

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Will the MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated to Goa for the conservation of lakes and wetlands under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA);
- (b) the current status of the implementation of the above schemes; and
- (c) major steps taken by Government in the last five years for the conservation of these lakes and wetlands in Goa?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) has not received any proposal from the State of Goa for financial assistance under the scheme of National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA). Hence, no funds were released under the scheme.

The State Government has notified 15 wetlands under the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017. The list of these wetlands is given in **Annexure-1**. Further, on the occasion of World Wetlands Day 2023, MoEF&CC launched the 'Save Wetlands Campaign', which is structured on a 'whole of society' approach for wetlands conservation, enabling affirmative actions for wetlands conservation at all levels of the society and involving all strata of the society. Under this campaign, during the last one year, inter-alia, 456 wetlands have been ground truthed, 21 events conducted for wetlands awareness and 3358 people have taken pledge/registered as wetland mitras, in the State of Goa.

Annexure-1

Annexure-1 referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 684 to be answered on 8th February, 2024 on 'Funds to Goa for conservation of water bodies'

List of wetlands notified in the State of Goa under the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017

Sr. No.	Name of the wetland	Village	Taluka	District
1.	Durga Lake	Chinchinim	Salcete	South Goa
2.	Carambolim Lake	Carambolim, Corlim	Tiswadi	North Goa
3.	Batim Lake	Batim	Tiswadi	North Goa
4.	Coneix Lake	Priol	Ponda	South Goa
5.	Tarvale Lake	Shiroda	Ponda	South Goa
6.	Sulabhat Lake	St. Lawrence	Tiswadi	North Goa
7.	Pali Lake	Dicarpale, Davorlim	Salcete	South Goa
8.	Toyyar Lake	Chimbel	Tiswadi	North Goa
9.	Saulem Lake	Pilerne	Bardez	North Goa
10.	Dashi Lake	Revora	Bardez	North Goa
11.	Cottombi Lake	Avedem, Cottombi	Quepem	South Goa
12.	Xeldem Lake	Xeldem	Quepem	South Goa
13.	Sarzora Lake	Saarzora	Salcete	South Goa
14.	Bondvol Lake	Calapur	Tiswadi	North Goa
15.	Nanda Lake*	Cacora	Quepem	South Goa

*Nanda Lake (Quepem) is designated as Goa's first Wetland of International Importance (Ramsar site)
