

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 379**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2024

**Budget allocation for forest fire prevention and management**

379. SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:  
SMT. SULATA DEO:

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

- (a) whether the Annual Plan of Operation for the Financial Year 2023-24 has been submitted with an outlay of ₹ 4928.69 lakh for forest fire prevention and management activities; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that the sanction and release order against the allocated amount is awaited?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) Twenty-four States and UTs submitted their Annual Plan of Operations for the financial year 2023-24 to the Ministry under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS): Forest Fire Prevention and Management totalling to an amount of ₹ 32815.54 lakhs.
- (b) The Ministry has approved the Annual Plan of Operations for an amount of ₹ 20160.25 lakhs for 24 States and UTs. The Ministry released ₹ 3917.97 lakhs to States and UTs during the financial year 2023-24 in accordance with the extant guidelines.

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