

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 986
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2016

Preservation of Banyan Tree

986. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA:

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

- (a) whether a 12th century Banyan tree in Mizoram on Indo-Myanmar border has been threatened by increasing level of river and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has sought any help from the Government of Myanmar for protection and preservation of the said tree; and
- (c) if so, the details and the response of the Myanmar Government thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) As per report received from the Mizoram Forest Department, there is no such Banyan tree in Mizoram in India on Indo-Myanmar border except a historically significant Banyan tree called "Khampat Bungpui" planted by ancestor of Mizo at Khampat Myanmar which is well inside Myanmar and not in Mizoram.
- (b) & (c) No such proposal has been made to the Government of Myanmar.
