GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3539 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2018

Budgetary Allocation for Green India Mission

3539. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE: SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

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

- (a) whether Budgetary allocation has been increased for his Ministry in 2018 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has increased the Green India Mission Budget by 48 per cent and 1000 crore saplings will be planted between 2021 to 2030;
- (c) the funds allocation for Project Tiger and for Development of Wildlife Habitat in Budget 2018-19; and
- (d) whether Eighty thousands of students are likely to be trained under Green Skill Development Programme in 2019-20 and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) The budget allocation for financial year (FY) 2018-19 for the Ministry is Rs. 2675.42 Crore which is the same as allocation for FY 2017-18.
- (b) The budget allocation for the FY 2017-18 was Rs. 47.80 Crores and for FY 2018-19 is Rs. 60.0 Crore. The budget allocation for the FY 2018-19 has increased by 25.52 percent with respect to FY 2017-18. The number of saplings to be planted will depend on the budgetary allocations for 2021-2030.
- (c) The budget allocation for FY 2018-19 for Project Tiger is Rs. 350.0 Crore and for Development of Wildlife Habitat is Rs. 175.0 Crore.
- (d) The Green Skill Development Programme (GSDP) was launched in June, 2017 on a pilot basis at 10 locations, spread over 9 bio-geographic regions of the country, with a Basic Course and Advanced Course of 3 months' duration each, to skill the youth as Biodiversity Conservations and Para-taxonomists respectively. It is planned to create a pool of Master Trainers at the first stage, who would further train an estimated 80, 000 youth across the country under various skilling courses during 2018-19.
