5615. SHRI SHA. BRA. DR. JAI SIDDESHWAR SHIVACHARY MAHASWAMIJI:

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

(a) the details of the afforestation scheme of the Ministry implemented in the State of Maharashtra during the last three years; and
(b) the number of trees planted in Solapur district of Maharashtra during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) The Ministry is implementing two major Tree Plantation/afforestation schemes in the country including Maharashtra i.e. National Afforestation Programme (NAP) scheme and National Mission for a Green India (GIM) under which financial grant is provided to states for taking up plantation. While NAP is being implemented for afforestation of degraded forest lands, GIM aims at improving the quality of forest/increase in forest cover besides cross-sectoral activities on landscape basis. An amount of Rs. 26.82 crores and Rs.10.30 crores has been released to Maharashtra state under NAP and GIM respectively during last three years (2016-17 to 2018-19).

(b) The district-wise details of seedlings planted are not maintained in the ministry and therefore the information relating to Solapur district of Maharashtra state is not available.

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