### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2188 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.09.2020

### **Eco-sensitive Zones of Western Ghats**

#### 2188. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any decision on the final notification on demarcation of eco-sensitive zones of Western Ghats?
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the draft notification on Western Ghats is due to expire by the month of September, 2020; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

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

- (a) and (b) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has been consistently making all efforts to bring the States on board for finalization of the Western Ghats Eco sensitive Area notification and for this purpose consultations have been held on 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 and 9-10 July, 2020. The suggestions and request of the State Governments are under consideration for finalization of the final notification.
- (c) and (d) The draft notification, re-published by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018 is valid up to 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.

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