GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2871 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

Plantation of Trees

2871. SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Ficus (Peepal) and other similar trees have been planted beneath the Delhi Metro Elevations and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the growth of such trees in later stage would hamper the structures of Delhi Metro Elevations;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to relocate such trees to other places; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes Sir. The details are given in Annexure as per the information provided by Forest Department, NCT of Delhi.
- (b) & (c) No Sir. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has informed DMRC is regularly trimming such trees for the safety of the structures.
- (d) & (e) No Sir. Question does not arise.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Un-starred Question No. 2871 due for reply on 12.03.2021 by Shri Dipsinh Shankarsinh Rathod, Shri Mohanbhai Kalyanji Kundariya regarding 'Plantation of Trees'.

Line-1 (Red Line)

Around 26 nos. of Peepal or alike trees have been planted by PWD on the central verge of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) in between Rithala to Dilshad Garden Metro Stations. Further, around 32 nos. of Peepal or alike trees are planted by Ghaziabad Nagar Nigam on the central verge of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) in between Shaheed Nagar to New Bus Adda Metro Stations.

Line-2 (Yellow Line)

Around 63 nos. of Peepal or alike trees are available on the median of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) in between Qutub Minar to Huda City Centre Metro Stations. These trees appear to be naturally grown up trees. The ownership of the land on which these trees are available, rests with Gurugram Municipal Authority.

Line-3 & 4 (Blue Line)

Around 307 nos. Peepal or alike trees are available on the median of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) and under the viaduct in between Indraprastha and Yamuna Bank Metro station.

These trees have been planted by the concerned MCD on the median of the road. However, in section between, Indraprastha and Yamuna Bank metro stations, these threes appear to have grown up naturally on areas/land of DDA.

Line-5 (Green Line)

Around 38 nos of Peepal of alike trees are available on the median of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) in between Udyog Nagar to Tikri Kalan Metro Stations. These trees appear to be naturally grown up trees. The ownership of the land on which these trees are available, rests with PWD.

Line-6 (Violet Line)

Around 32 nos. of Peepal or alike trees are available on the median of the road (under the Metro elevated viaduct) and near DMRC pillars in "Right of Way" of NHAI in between Lajpat Nagar to Bata Chowk metro stations. These trees appear to be naturally grown up trees. However, the ownership of the land on which these trees are available rest with the concerned MCD and NHAI.
