GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2980 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

National Mission for a Green India

2980. SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

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SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:

SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

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

- (a) the aims and objectives of the National Mission for a Green India Scheme;
- (b) whether the Union Government has extended financial support for the Scheme during 2020-21 and 2021-22 and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the criteria for allocation of financial assistance to States;
- (d) the details of funds allocated so far and released to various States including Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand and Maharashtra, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the extent to which the objectives of the National Mission for Green India Scheme have been achieved?

<u>ANSWER</u>

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

- (a) National Mission for a Green India (GIM) is one of the eight Missions under the National Action Plan on Climate Change. It aims at protecting, restoring and enhancing India's forest cover and responding to Climate Change. The objectives of the Mission are to increase forest/tree cover and improve quality of forest cover, improve ecosystem services including biodiversity and hydrological services, increase forest based livelihood income of households living in and around the forests, and enhance annual CO₂ sequestration.
- (b) The Union Government has extended financial support for the scheme during 2020-21 and 2021-22. In the financial year 2020-21, Rs. 112.65 crore has been released to eight States namely Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Odisha, Manipur, Mizoram, Karnataka, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and One Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir for implementation of various activities under GIM. Moreover, Rs. 250.0 crore has been allocated for the

- financial year 2021-22 under the budget head of GIM. The State wise details of fund released during the financial year 2020-21 is enclosed at **Annexure-I**.
- (c) National Mission for a Green India is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme. The State Government submits the Annual Plan of Operation (APO) for taking up various activities as per Implementation Guidelines of GIM. The Ministry examines the APO and approve it. Further, the Ministry releases the fund to the State Government as per guidelines of the Ministry of Finance.
- (d) and (e) Activities under National Mission for a Green India were started in the financial year 2015-16. So far, Rs. 455.73 crore has been released for undertaking the afforestation activities over an area of 167151 hectares to fourteen states and one union territory. The State/UT wise details of the funds released and afforestation area sanctioned during the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 is placed at **Annexure-II**.

ANNEXURE-1 The State wise fund released for carrying out various activities under Green India Mission during the financial year 2020-21:

| S. No. | Name of the State/UT | Fund released (in Rs. Crore) |
|--------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | Chhattisgarh | 1.66 |
| 2 | Himachal Pradesh | 17.09 |
| 3 | Karnataka | 2.35 |
| 4 | Manipur | 6.74 |
| 5 | Mizoram | 2.99 |
| 6 | Odisha | 26.01 |
| 7 | Sikkim | 2.19 |
| 8 | 8 Uttarakhand 27.89 | |
| 9 | Jammu and Kashmir (UT) | 25.73 |
| | Total | 112.65 |

ANNEXURE-1I The State/UT wise details of the funds released and afforestation area sanctioned from financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 under National Mission for a Green India:

| | | Funds released | Afforestation area |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Sl. No. | Name of the States/UT | (Rs. In Crores) | (Area in Ha) |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 4.168 | 2737 |
| 2 | Chhattisgarh | 66.627 | 20191 |
| 3 | Himachal Pradesh | 17.085 | 5480 |
| 4 | Karnataka | 8.966 | 1920 |
| 5 | Kerala | 25.466 | 12298 |
| 6 | Manipur | 38.374 | 23358 |
| 7 | Mizoram | 72.951 | 6766 |
| 8 | Odisha | 49.571 | 16920 |
| 9 | Punjab | 15.518 | 19643 |
| 10 | Uttarakhand | 48.100 | 16634 |
| 11 | Madhya Pradesh | 54.812 | 4304 |
| 12 | Maharashtra | 10.302 | 1509 |
| 13 | Sikkim | 8.641 | 11045 |
| 14 | West Bengal | 9.426 | 18666 |
| 15 | Jammu & Kashmir (UT) | 25.727 | 5680 |
| | Total | 455.734 | 167151 |