

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2021

National Mission for a Green India

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched the National Mission for a Green India to increase the forest cover in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the objectives achieved under the said mission;
- (c) the adaptation and mitigation measures undertaken under the said mission;
- (d) whether forest cover has increased after implementation of the provisions under the mission; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) National Mission for a Green India (GIM) is launched with the objective to increase forest/ tree cover on forest/ non-forest lands and improve quality of forest cover. It aims at protecting, restoring and enhancing India's forest cover and responding to climate change. Activities under the Mission started in the year 2015-16 with a financial outlay of Rs. 46,000 crores over the period of ten years.
- (b) The afforestation area sanctioned under GIM is 142684 ha and distribution of alternative fuel energy devices is 68707 households during the period 2015-16 to 2019-20. The State wise details of sanctioned afforestation area and distribution of alternative fuel energy devices to households is placed at **Annexure-I**.

Besides GIM, afforestation taken up under the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) is 212805.515 ha for the financial year 2020-21. The State wise details of afforestation area is placed at **Annexure-II**.

- (c) The adaptation and mitigation measures undertaken under the mission include promotion of natural regeneration and plantation of indigenous tree species, reduced forest fragmentation by conserving contiguous forest patches through landscape approach, effective fire prevention and fire management, weed management, sustainable harvesting of non-timber products, securing corridors for species migration and improving overall hydrological regime. The Mission also supports the adoption of improved fuelwood-use efficiency and alternative energy devices in the project-area.
- (d) and (e) As per the India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2019, Forest cover of the country is 7,12,249 sq. km which has shown an increase of 10576 sq. km as compared to

ISFR, 2015. This is mainly attributed to large scale afforestation taken up under various schemes of Central government including Green India Mission, State plan, and also by NGOs, civil societies, corporate houses etc. The State wise details of forest cover as per India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2015 and 2019 is enclosed in **Annexure-III**.

ANNEXURE-1

The State wise sanctioned afforestation area and distribution of alternative fuel energy devices to Households during the period 2015-16 to 2019-20:

S. No.	Name of the State	Afforestation area (in Hectare)	Alternative fuel energy devices to households (in number)
1	Andhra Pradesh	2737	1246
2	Chhattisgarh	19128	5908
3	Karnataka	1360	1252
4	Kerala	12297	12129
5	Madhya Pradesh	23358	6066
6	Maharashtra	6766.4	7362
7	Manipur	8798	-
8	Mizoram	19643	20400
9	Odisha	16634.4	6300
10	Punjab	4304	200
11	Sikkim	1509.2	1310
12	Uttarakhand	7483	6534
13	West Bengal	18666	-
	Total	142684	68707

ANNEXURE-II

The State wise afforestation taken up under CAMPA during the 2020-21:

S. No.	Name of States/UTs	Afforestation area (in Hectare)
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	-
2	Andhra Pradesh	5596
3	Assam	1917.78
4	Bihar	2256.91
5	Chandigarh	14
6	Chhattisgarh	6103.98
7	Delhi	-
8	Goa	293.7
9	Gujarat	1019.84
10	Haryana	2375.87
11	Himachal Pradesh	1467.31
12	Jammu & Kashmir	2412.41
13	Jharkhand	10350.38
14	Karnataka	14849.44
15	Kerala	292.28
16	Madhya Pradesh	36052.925
17	Maharashtra	23389.54
18	Manipur	6056.94
19	Meghalaya	-
20	Mizoram	-
21	Odisha	50757.22
22	Punjab	4749.33
23	Rajasthan	12097.89
24	Sikkim	3203
25	Tamil Nadu	-
26	Telangana	9053
27	Tripura	582.8
28	Uttar Pradesh	12751.33
29	Uttarakhand	5161.64
30	West Bengal	-
Total		212805.515

ANNEXURE-III

The State wise details of forest cover as per India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2015 and 2019:

S. No	States/UTs	Forest cover as per the ISFR 2015 (in Sq. km.)	Forest cover as per the ISFR 2019 (in Sq. km.)
1	Andhra Pradesh	24424	29137
2	Arunachal Pradesh	67248	66688
3	Assam	27623	28327
4	Bihar	7288	7306
5	Chhattisgarh	55586	55611
6	Delhi	188.77	195.44
7	Goa	2224	2237
8	Gujarat	14660	14857
9	Haryana	1584	1602
10	Himachal Pradesh	14696	15434
11	Jammu & Kashmir	22988	21122
12	Ladakh		2490
13	Jharkhand	23478	23611
14	Karnataka	36421	38575
15	Kerala	19239	21144
16	Madhya Pradesh	77462	77482
17	Maharashtra	50628	50778
18	Manipur	16994	16847
19	Meghalaya	17217	17119
20	Mizoram	18748	18006
21	Nagaland	12966	12486
22	Odisha	50354	51619
23	Punjab	1771	1849
24	Rajasthan	16171	16630
25	Sikkim	3357	3342
26	Tamil Nadu	26345	26364
27	Telangana	21591	20582
28	Tripura	7811	7726
29	Uttar Pradesh	14461	14806
30	Uttarakhand	24240	24303
31	West Bengal	16828	16902
32	A&N Islands	6751	6743
33	Chandigarh	22.03	22.03
34	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	206	207
35	Daman & Diu	19.61	20.49
36	Lakshadweep	27.06	27.1
37	Puducherry	55.38	52.41
	Total	701673	712249
