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

## LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 66 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2021

## **Relocation of Trees**

#### \*66 SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to relocate many heritage trees from Janpath to Badarpur because of Central Vista project and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the survival rates of trees that are relocated from their original place along with the details of the existing and ongoing research that supports such move;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to plant ten more saplings for every tree uprooted/removed, if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified for the same and the agencies involved therein;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any tree census in the recent past; and
- (e) if so, the State/UT-wise details of the same, including the year in which it was last conducted, number and types of trees identified and the year in which the next tree census is scheduled?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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# Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 66 by Shri JAYADEV GALLA regarding 'Relocation of Trees' due for the reply on 23.07.2021.

- (a) As per the information received from Central Public Works Department (CPWD), only 22 numbers of trees have been relocated from Central Vista Avenue to Eco Park, Badarpur and there is no other proposal to relocate trees from Central Vista Avenue to Badarpur.
- (b) Indian Council for Forestry Research & Education (ICFRE), Dehradun has conducted a study on tree translocation in India during the year 2020 and has submitted report to Ministry vide letter dated 2.9.2020. There is no further ongoing study under ICFRE at present in this regard.
- (c) As per the information received from CPWD, there is proposal to plant 10 more saplings for every tree uprooted/removed and compensatory plantation shall be done at Eco Park, Badarpur.
- (d)&(e) As per available information, no tree census has been conducted in the recent past. However, Forest Survey of India (FSI) carries out sample plot based regular inventory of trees in forests and outside forests in the country under its National Forest Inventory Programme. On the basis of data collected growing stock (stems & volume of wood) estimates are generated at national and state levels.

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