

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO: 189
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2024

Trees Outside Forest in India Initiative

189* SHRI KESINENI SIVANATH:

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

- (a) the number of trees that have fallen in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last five years, district-wise;
- (b) the details of areas of forests that has been deforested in the said State during the last five years, district-wise; and
- (c) the number of trees planted under the 'Trees Outside Forests in India' Initiative in the country during the last three years, State and district-wise including Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (c) The statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 189 due for reply on 05.08.2024 regarding ‘Trees Outside Forest in India Initiative’ by Shri Kesineni Sivanath:

- (a) As per the information received from the State Forest Department of Andhra Pradesh, the number of trees that have been felled in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years, district-wise are given in **Annexure I**.
- (b) As per the information received from the State Forest Department of Andhra Pradesh, the details of areas of forest that have been deforested during the last five years, district-wise are given in **Annexure II**.
- (c) The “Tree Outside Forest in India” (TOFI) Programme is a technical collaboration under the India and USA Partnership Agreement for sustainable forest and climate adaptation. The TOFI was launched in seven States, namely Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Haryana, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, and Uttar Pradesh. The main objectives of the TOFI under the technical collaboration are to focus on strengthening the enabling environment for the expansion of tree outside forest, support for creating improved economic opportunities and improved access to quality information for the promotion of tree outside forests. This is a technical collaboration and the objective of this programme does not involve tree plantation in the selected States.

To promote green cover outside the notified forest area, State Forest Departments have undertaken various activities targeting planting trees outside forest areas. As per the India State of Forest Report (ISFR)-2021, the Tree Cover of the country has increased by 1933 square kilometers as compared to the estimates published in ISFR-2017.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 189 due for answer on 05.08.2024 regarding 'Trees Outside Forest in India Initiative'

District-wise, number of trees that have been felled in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years.

S.No.	District	Number of trees felled		Illegal fellings
		Legal fellings		
		Patta lands	Diverted lands	
1	Alluri Sitharama Raju	1340	-	1944
2	Anakapalli	-	8796	354
3	Anantapuramu	785	88	-
4	Annamayya	23181	-	27178
5	Bapatla	1650	-	-
6	Chittoor	19954	20423	25953
7	Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Konaseema	-	-	-
8	East Godavari	-	-	-
9	Eluru	-	-	1051
10	Guntur	12786	4685	-
11	Kakinada	54515	23	-
12	Krishna	31401	-	-
13	Kurnool	-	24992	540
14	NTR	-	-	107
15	Palnadu	7696	-	-
16	Parvathipuram Manyam	-	-	161
17	Prakasam	1579	905	-
18	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	25061	21382	-
19	Sri Sathya Sai	2918	-	-
20	Srikakulam	-	-	417
21	Tirupati	61964	-	40349
22	Visakhapatnam	-	354	131
23	Vizianagaram	-	-	211
24	West Godavari	-	-	-
25	YSR	-	53375	6000
26	Nandyal	-	-	-
	Total	244830	135023	104396

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 189
due for answer on 05.08.2024 regarding 'Trees Outside Forest in India Initiative'**

**District wise details of areas of forest that have been deforested during the last five
years**

S. No.	District	Area diverted (in Hectares)
1	Alluri Sitharama Raju	2.24
2	Anakapalli	68.13
3	Anantapuramu	5.68
4	Annamayya	-
5	Bapatla	-
6	Chittoor	146.93
7	Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Konaseema	-
8	East Godavari	-
9	Eluru	-
10	Guntur	165.07
11	Kakinada	3.99
12	Krishna	-
13	Kurnool	120.85
14	NTR	-
15	Palnadu	-
16	Parvathipuram Manyam	-
17	Prakasam	11.10
18	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	107.95
19	Sri Sathya Sai	-
20	Srikakulam	-
21	Tirupati	-
22	Visakhapatnam	60.10
23	Vizianagaram	-
24	West Godavari	-
25	YSR	77.62
26	Nandyal	-
	Total	769.66