

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 453
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1.12.2015

Proposals for Ecologically Sensitive Areas

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

- (a) whether only Five States have submitted proposals for Ecologically Sensitive Areas (ESAs) on the Western Ghats Notification and if so, the detail thereof;
- (b) whether some States have sought more time for submitting their proposals and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a), (b) & (c) The Ministry has issued a fresh notification dated 4th September, 2015 in supersession of the earlier draft notification issued on 10th March, 2014 declaring ecologically sensitive area in the Western Ghats. The states of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka and Kerala have submitted their proposals to the Government demarcating ecologically sensitive areas (ESAs) in the Western Ghats of their States by physical verification. The Government of Tamil Nadu has sought additional time for submitting their proposal.
