

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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SOCIAL FORESTRY
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area of land afforested under the social forestry scheme in the last three years; and
- (b) the funds allocated in the last three years under the scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) and (b) The Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme in the country during the Tenth Five Year Plan. The scheme is being implemented through Forest Development Agency (FDA) at forest division level and Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) at village level. 431 FDA projects have been approved in all 28 States to treat an area of 4.46 lakh hectares during last three years (2003-04 to 2005-06). An amount of Rs.689.56 Crores has been released during last three years (2003-04 to 2005-06).