

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:702
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2004
DESTRUCTION OF TREES IN UTTAR PRADESH
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether thousands of trees were destroyed on September 23, 2004 in village Achhepur Kirmalli under tehsil Safipur of district - Unnao in Uttar Pradesh ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ;
- (c) whether the Government has provided or propose to provide any financial assistance to the villagers in this regard ;
- (d) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

- (a) According to available information some trees, standing on the farmers land in Acchepur Kirmalli village, were damaged on 21.9.2004 due to heavy windstorm.
- (b) It was an unforeseen natural calamity. The trees were damaged due to heavy windstorm.
- (c) Financial assistance to the affected families has been provided by the State Government.
- (d)and(e) 52 persons of affected families were provided assistance of Rs. 800/- per person for the damage to their houses. A total amount of Rs. 41,600/- was distributed to the affected villagers. In addition to this, 6776 Kg of Wheat, 2544 Kg of Rice and 720 litres of Kerosene Oil were also distributed to the affected families under different schemes.