

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NGOS INVOLVED IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes to encourage Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for participating in environmental projects;
- (b) the details of terms, conditions and qualification fixed for NGOs to get qualified;
- (c) the details of ongoing environment and afforestation projects in Maharashtra, location-wise; and
- (d) the funds made available for the same during each of the last three years as well as current financial year ?

Answer

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

(a) The Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing schemes namely, Environmental Education, Awareness and Training, Centres of Excellence, Environmental Research, Grants in aid to voluntary agencies for the National Afforestation and Eco-Development to encourage Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for participating in environmental projects.

(b) Any registered voluntary/professional organization having proven credential, and experience in environmental/social fields and registered under the Societies Registration Act for minimum three years and with audited accounts for the said period, have a properly constituted Managing Body with its powers, duties and responsibilities clearly defined and laid down in a written constitution/by-laws and having a sound financial position to take up the project are eligible for submitting proposals for financial support from the Ministry of Environment & Forests under the above schemes.

(c)&(d) The Ministry of Environment & Forests has released Rs.16.05,472/- during the last three years to the following five NGOs in the state of Maharashtra:

Sl.No.	Name of NGO	Project location	Fund released
1.	Gurudev Samajik Seva Mandal,	Sindhi Ta Rajura	Sindhi Satri Rs.3,98,640/-
2.	Bosco Gramin Vikas Kendra,	Ahmed Nagar Parewari,	Pimpalgaon Rs.2,88,640
3.	Rural Foundation, Nandurbar	Kholghar	Rs.2,30,912/-
4.	Yuvak Pratisthan, Mulund (E),	Mumbai Eastern Express Highway	Rs.3,98,640/-
5.	Kaisar-E-Hind, Rev R.H.Gaikwad Memorial Foundation, Ahmed Nagar	Sandve, Mandve	Rs.2,88,640/-

The Ministry of Environment and Forests has not received any proposal from any NGO of the Maharashtra state for the current financial year.