

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

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QUALITY PLANTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AFFORESTATION
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether there is any proposal to produce good quality plants in nurseries and environmental afforestation units for expansion of forest outside the designated forest areas;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether such proposals are pending before the Government for clearance:
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the reason therefore; and
- (e) The time by which these pending proposals are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIS. REGUPATHY)

- (a) & (b) A Scheme for expansion of forest outside the designated forest areas has been mooted by the Ministry of Environment & Forest which also envisages the production of good quality plants. The Scheme is yet to be approved.
- (c), (d) & (e) does not arise.