

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

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VULNERABILITY LINE MAPPING

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has decided to conduct a vulnerability line mapping along the country's coastline to ensure the safety of those living close to the coast;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;
- (c) whether the Union Government has sought World Bank's assistance to the project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which the demarcation of the vulnerability line will help prevent damages under the impact of global warming, cyclones, tsunami and such other natural disasters?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) and (b) : A proposal with an estimated cost of Rs. 125 crores has been drawn up for demarcation of the hazard line along the coastline of the country taking into account flooding due to sea level rise, tides, waves and shoreline change in consultation with Survey of India.
- (c) and (d) : The hazard line mapping is one of the components under the proposed World Bank assisted Integrated Coastal Zone Management Project.
- (e) : The hazard line drawn along the coastline will be used for planning and regulating developmental activities along the coastal areas.