

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2151  
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FOREST FIRE IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to recent volcano-like eruption which triggered a large-scale forest fire in Arunachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to extinguish this fire?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b) There is no report drawing attention of this Ministry to a volcano-like eruption triggering a large scale forest fire in Arunachal Pradesh. The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh have informed that on 26th January, 2010 a forest-fire, suspected to have caused by lightning, occurred in the Kurung Kumey district.

(c) The fire had reportedly been extinguished within a few days of time without any loss of lives or without any significant loss to property.