GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2505 ANSWERED ON:22.07.2009 GRANT OF FUNDS TO MAHARASHTRA FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS Nagorao Shri Dudhgaonkar Ganeshrao

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

- (a) the details of funds given as grants by the Union Government to the Government of Maharashtra during the last three years for various projects;
- (b) whether the State Government of Maharashtra used this grant for the particular project or diverted this fund to the other project(s);
- (c) whether the Maharashtra Government has been submitting periodical reports on the expenditure to the Centre; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a): The details of funds given by Union Ministry of Environment and Forests to the State of Maharashtra under its schemes/projects during the last three years (2006-07 to 2008-09) are as under:

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S1. Name of Scheme Amount released
No. (Rs. in lakhs)

2006-07 2007-08 2008-09

1. National Lake 230.00 100.00 75.50
Conservation
Plan

2. National River 1009.00 521.47 0.00
Conservation
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Plan

3. National 1593.09 2991.77 2187.03 Afforestation Programme

4. Intensification 103.46# 232.84 232.00 of Forest Management

5. Integrated 223.85 331.33 390.22 Development of wildlife Habitats

6. Project Tiger 238.56 295.72 411.12

7. Project 50.40 56.30 77.76 Elephant 8. Environment 237.30 232.53 236.35 Education and Awareness (Directorate of Social Forestry, Maharashtra) 9. Environmental 0.00 6.93 2.67 Information System (ENVIS) (Environment Department, Maharshtra) 10. Assistance for 0.00 0.00 35.42 Abatement of Pollution (Maharashtra Pollution Control Board)

11. Common Effluent 223.03 252.09 323.94
Treatment Plant
(Maharashtra
Pollution
Control Board)

Funds were sanctioned but adjusted against the earlier unspent funds.

- (b): The grants have been utilized for the projects for which these were sanctioned.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Sir. Periodical reports/ utilization certificates on the schemes/projects are submitted to this Ministry;as required by the Government of Maharashtra.