

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA**

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FOREST MANAGEMENT THROUGH PANCHAYATS
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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is giving control of forest management to the panchayats; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (Dr. C.P. JOSHI)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Ministry of Environment & Forests are working out modalities to establish appropriate linkages on issues related to Forests and Gram Panchayats.