

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has recognized the significant potential of an emerging global `green economy`;
- (b) if so, whether an effort to tackle climate change could result in the creation of a large number of new `green jobs` in the coming years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the amount earmarked for the purpose?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e) The Government recognises the potential of green economy reflected in an environment-friendly development policy and has taken various steps to promote sustainable development, through reduction of emissions intensity while GDP increases.

National Action Plan on Climate Change includes several actions and measures that have an impact on promotion of green economy and creation of additional employment. Measures taken in this regard include, inter alia,(i) launch of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission for generation of 20,000 MW by the year 2022 and about 1.50 lakh jobs in various areas including solar Industry, engineering management and research and development industry, (ii) implementation of National Mission for Enhanced Energy Efficiency (NMEEE) for promoting energy efficiency in identified sectors through various policy and incentive based mechanisms, and (iii) encouragement of private sector initiatives for development of innovative technologies for adaptation and mitigation.

Government provides necessary resources for implementation of various activities aimed at promoting sustainable development in accordance with approved priorities and budgets of the implementing Ministries.