

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3473  
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BIOSPHERE RESERVE  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether reports of damage to biosphere reserve/biodiversity due to illegal mining have come to the notice of the government;
- (b) If so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) The steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No reports of damage to biosphere reserve/biodiversity due to illegal mining have come to the notice of the Government.
- (b)& (c) Does not arise.