

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

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

- (a) whether the National Environment Engineering and Research Institute (NEERI) and National Institute of Oceanography, Goa have been jointly assigned the job of conducting a study to assess the damage caused to the mangroves due to oil spill along the coast of Mumbai on account of collision of two ships in August 2010;
- (b) if so, details thereof;
- (c) whether any report submitted in this regard;
- (d) If so, the salient features thereof; and
- (e) If not, the time by which the report is likely to be submitted to the Government?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) The Department of Environment, Govt. of Maharashtra has assigned the National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI) to carry out the environmental impact assessment study including socio-economic aspects and National Institute of Oceanography (NIO) to study the impact on water quality, sediment quality, flora and fauna due to oil spill on account of collision of two ships in August 2010. A timeframe of three months has been given to NEERI and NIO for submitting their reports.