

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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PLANTATION ON RAILWAY LAND  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Railways propose to accord special emphasis to the plantation programme on railway land;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of land earmarked for the purpose, zone-wise/State-wise;and
- (c) the target/objectives set for the purpose alongwith the achievements made so far?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) to (c): In pursuance of Railways commitment towards environmental improvement through afforestation and also with a view to safeguard railway land against unauthorized occupation, Railways undertake tree plantation on a programmed basis. Vacant Railway land is generally in the form of thin strip along track. Railways undertake mass plantation on this vacant land, wherever feasible, in a manner so as to not affect the visibility of track and safe operations of trains.

About 94 lac saplings were planted each during 2009-10 and 2010-11. Target of plantation of saplings during 2011-12 is 100 lac.