

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

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GLOBAL WARMING
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recent report of the United Nations has ranked India third amongst the nations responsible for global warming;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any remedial steps in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a)& (b) The Centre for Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis (CDIAC), USA, collected data on carbon dioxide emissions from the burning of fossil fuels and cement manufacturers for the year 2008 for the United Nations and based on the annual carbon dioxide emission data, India is ranked third at global level.

(c) to (e) Although India does not have legally binding reduction commitments, a National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) was released on June 30, 2008 to outline India's strategy to meet the challenge of Climate Change. The NAPCC includes eight Missions in specific area of Solar Energy, Enhanced Energy Efficiency, Sustainable Habitat, Water, Sustaining the Himalayan Ecosystem, Green India, Sustainable Agriculture and Strategic knowledge for Climate Change.

The objectives of these Missions are to support India's policies for sustainable development, by way of promotion of energy efficiency, appropriate mix of fuels and primary energy sources including nuclear, hydro and renewable sources, energy pricing, pollution abatement, afforestation, mass transport, besides differentially higher growth rates of less energy intensive services sectors as compared to manufacturing, results in a relatively Greenhouse Gas benign growth path.