

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2925  
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ESTABLISHMENT OF NEAMA  
Rani Killi Krupa;Singh Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish a National Environment Assessment and Monitoring Authority (NEAMA) in the country;
- (b) if so, the initiatives taken in this regard and the time schedule fixed for that purpose;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes any engagement with the World Bank or any other similar agency towards establishment of NEAMA; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) The Ministry proposes to establish a National Environment Assessment and Monitoring Authority (NEAMA) with domain expertise, technological finesse and field outreach in order to strengthen and professionalize the regimes of environment impact assessment and coastal zone management under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. The details and the time schedule for setting up the Authority have not yet been finalised.

(c) & (d) No, Sir.