## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3964 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2011 PROTECTION OF TREES Gandhi Smt. Maneka Sanjay

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to protect the trees choking due to land around their trunk getting covered by bitumen in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Answer**

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

(a)to (c) This Ministry does not have any such proposal. However, for the NCT of Delhi the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India has issued guidelines for greening of urban areas and landscaping under which an area of 6 x 6 ft. should be left uncemented and widening of roads upto the trunks of the trees should be avoided.