

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4049  
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2011  
PLANTATION OF TREES  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any plan for plantation of trees in drought prone areas of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds earmarked for the purpose during the last three years and the current year and the funds actually utilised during the said period?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Environment and Forests in implementing the National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme for regeneration of degraded Forests and adjoining areas through people's participation throughout the country including the State of Bihar. The scheme is now implemented through decentralized mechanism of State Forest Development Agency at State level, Forest Development Agency at Forest Division Level and Joint Forest Management Committee at Village Level.

(c) The details of funds sanctioned to Bihar State and the utilisation under NAP Scheme during last three years (2008-09 to 2010-11 and current year) are given below:

Status of Release of fund to Bihar State (Rs. in Crores)

Sl.No.	Year	Funds sanctioned	Fund Utilised
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1	2008-09	8.10	7.53
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2	2009-10	9.59	5.79
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3	2010-11	6.21	6.14
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4	2011-12	7.22	-
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