

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

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FUNDS FOR FORESTRY PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some foreign country especially Japan proposes to finance some phases of forestry projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Karnataka during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period; and
- (c) the funds allocated and released in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Twelve Externally Aided Projects are funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Government of Japan. Of these 12 projects, one project is a Central sector project on 'Capacity Development for Forest Management and Training of Personnel' under implementation in various States. The other eleven projects are State sector projects which are implemented in ten different States, as two projects are concurrently under implementation in Tamil Nadu, one of which will be ending in 2012-13. The details are given at Annexure-I.

The State Government submits reimbursement claims with regard to the project to the Controller of Aid, Accounts & Audit, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, New Delhi. The reimbursement claims are sent by Project Implementation Agency directly to the Donor Agency for vetting and the expenditure made, as per the signed loan agreement, is reimbursed to the project.