

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:717
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CHECK ON EXPLOITATION OF FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the forests of the entire country especially in the hilly areas are being indiscriminately exploited in the name of promoting tourism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme in this regard involving all the concerned States to curb the same;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) to (e) Question does not arise in view of reply to part (a) of the question.