

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5999
ANSWERED ON:14.05.2012
FUNDS FOR PROMOTION OF BAMBOO
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of State Governments have sent project proposals to the Union Government regarding promotion of bamboo and its growth for clearances;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years alongwith the location to be covered thereunder, State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard alongwith the funds allocated for the same, State-wise? ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN):

(a) No, Sir.

(b)&

(c) Does not arise in view of the reply to part

(a) of the question. GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6124 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.05.2012 Study on Deforestation 6124. SHRI SANJAY BHOI: SHRI B. B. PATIL: SHRI EKNATH M. GAIKWAD: SHRI S. S. RAMASUBBU: Will

Answer

the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a team of forestry researchers at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore has conducted study on deforestation in the country;

(b) if so, the details and outcome thereof;

(c) whether the said study contradicts Forest Survey of India (FSI)'s forest cover figures in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective steps taken / being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b) A team of scientists namely from the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore have published a paper on "Deforestation and forest degradation in India-implications for REDD+" in Current Science, volume 102 No. 8,25 April, 2012. This paper discusses a methodology to work out deforestation/degradation of forests at regional (sub national) and District level making use of time series data of Forest Survey of India (FSI).

(c) There is no contradiction in FSI's data on forest cover with that of the claim made in the said paper. FSI works out the net loss/gain in forest cover at the country level. The India State of Forest Report of FSI also furnishes the figures at State/District levels and the loss and gain therein are shown in the change matrix.

(d)&(e) Does not arise.