

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MAINTENANCE OF GREEN COVER BY DMRC
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) has axed large number of trees in all its ongoing projects and future projects are also likely to face such a scenario;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether there are difference between the State Government, Forest Department and DMRC over the issue;
- (c) if so, whether the DMRC has taken any steps to solve the disputes amicably and to plant large number of trees as replacement and to maintain the green coverage;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) has informed that a total of 14,701 number of trees are proposed to felled for Delhi MRTS Phase-III project. DMRC has further informed that there are no differences between the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD), Forest Department and DMRC. Forest Department considers the tree felling permissions on case to case basis.

(c): DMRC is depositing necessary security for compensatory plantation and maintenance of trees with the Forest Department, GNCTD and has requested them to take up the compensatory plantation on behalf of DMRC.

(d): DMRC is adhering to the policy of Forest Department, GNCTD for raising ten trees against felling of one tree.

(e): Does not arise.