

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

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INSTITUTIONS TO MONITOR GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any indigenous research institute in the country for evaluating the quantum of green house gases emitted into the atmosphere;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether such an evaluation is being undertaken by foreign institutions;
- (d) if so, the details of such institutions;
- (e) whether the data provided by these institutes are far from reality;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government to set up such institutes in the country so as to have a realistic data of green house gases?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a)&(b) GHG inventory estimation takes place as a part of National Communication (NATCOM) to UNFCCC with the help of a network of scientific and research institutions in the country. This inventory is limited to sectors such as Energy, Industry, Agriculture, Forestry and Wastes.

(c)to (f) No such evaluation is undertaken by any foreign institution with regard to emissions from India as reported in NATCOM. Also, as per United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), NATCOM submitted by Developing Countries including India is not subject to any review.

(g) A network of research institutions, functions under NATCOM project to collect available scientific information for estimation of greenhouse gases.