

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

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PROGRESS OF PROJECTS SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the progress of projects/schemes in operation in Maharashtra during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details of achievements made alongwith the reasons for shortfall, under utilisation /non-utilisation of funds during the above period, year-wise;
- (c) the details of new projects/schemes launched during the last three years in Maharashtra; and
- (d) the details of fresh proposals received/pending in Maharashtra alongwith target set for their completion?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes Sir. The Government has reviewed the progress of projects/schemes in operation in the country including Maharashtra from time to time.
- (b) The schemes/projects approved and being implemented by the Union Ministry of Environment& Forests for conservation of forests, wildlife and environment to the State of Maharashtra during the last three years(2006-07 to 2008-09) are as under:

Sl.No. Name of Scheme Amount released (Rs.in lakhs)

	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
1. National Lake Conservation Plan	230.00	100.00	75.50
2. National River Conservation Plan	1009.00	521.47	0.00
3. National Afforestation Programme	1593.09	2991.77	2187.03
4. Intensification of Forest Management	103.46#	232.84	232.00
5. Integrated Development of wildlife Habitats	223.85	331.33	390.22

6. Project Tiger	238.56	295.72	411.12
7. Project Elephant	50.40	56.30	77.76
8. Environment Education and Awareness (Directorate of Social Forestry, Maharashtra)	237.30	232.53	236.35
9. Environmental Information System (ENVIS) (Environment Department, Maharashtra)	0.00	6.93	2.67
10. Assistance for Abatement of Pollution (Maharashtra Pollution Control Board)	0.00	0.00	35.42
11. Common Effluent Treatment Plant (Maharashtra Pollution Control Board)	223.03	252.09	323.94

Funds were sanctioned but adjusted against the earlier unspent funds.

(c) Union Ministry of Environment and Forests has approved one project under National River Conservation Plan and two (2) projects under National Lake Conservation Plan for the State of Maharashtra during the last three years. The details are given as under:

Sl.No. Name of Projects Estimated cost/ approved cost (Rs. In lakhs) Year of sanction

National River conservation Plan

1. Pollution Abatement of River Tapi at Prakasha 244.00 3.11.2008

National Lake Conservation Plan

3. Varhala Devi Lake, Bhiwandi 460.00 2006-07

4. Siddheshwar Lake, Solapur 432.00 August, 2008

(d) Ministry has approved a project "Pollution Abatement of River Panchganga at Kolhapur" under the NRCP scheme with the cost of Rs. 7429.00 lakhs on 3.08.2009. No other fresh proposal has been received/ is pending from Maharashtra.