

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

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CREATION OF NEW FOREST AREA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the forest area lost due to globalisation, industrialisation, urbanisation and exploitation of coal mines during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the new forest area created through plantation during the last three years, and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) Year-wise details of approvals accorded under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes, during the last three years including current year, along with the State-wise details of the area of forest and public land covered under afforestation activities during last three years is annexed.