

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF BIO DIVERSITY MUSEUM
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up bio-diversity museum in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the amount spent for this purpose?

Answer

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

(a)& (b) No, Sir. However, to commemorate the successful hosting of the eleventh Conference of the Parties (CoP) to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the sixth Conference of the Parties serving as Meeting of the Parties (CoP/MoP-6) to the CBD's Cartagena Protocol Biosafety in Hyderabad from 1-19 October, 2012, the Prime Minister unveiled a commemorative Pylon in Hyderabad on October 16, 2012. It has been decided by the Government to establish a Biodiversity Museum on this site, for which the Government of Andhra Pradesh has confirmed the availability of about 10 acres of land for the Museum. So far, no amount has been spent for this purpose.