

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

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the demand of a national policy on environment conservation by the conference of Vice-Chancellors of the North Zone held in Uttaranchal;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has decided to chalk out an action plan in this regard taking cognizance of the deteriorating environmental conditions;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any significant measures to create public awareness in regard to maintaining environmental balance; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) The Ministry is not aware of any such conference of Vice-Chancellors of the North Zone held in Uttaranchal.
- (b) & (c) Do not arise.
- (d) & (e) Under the Environment Education, Awareness and Training (EEAT) Scheme launched in 1983-84, various programmes are implemented to enhance people's awareness about environmental issues for preservation and conservation of environment. These programmes include National Environment Awareness Campaign, National Green Corps, Seminars / Symposia / Workshops, Advertising and Publicity etc. These programmes are aimed at different target groups to encourage their participation in the efforts for protection of environment.