

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

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FUNCTIONING OF ECO CLUBS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether eco-clubs are running in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the objectives for constituting eco-clubs in the country;
- (c) the details of financial assistance provided to these clubs during the last three years and the current year and the details of activities carried out by them;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to achieve targets fixed under eco-club scheme;
- (e) whether this scheme has been successful in achieving its objectives; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir
- (b) A list showing state-wise number of Eco-clubs under the National Green Corps (NGC) Programme is placed at Annexure-I and objectives of Eco-clubs in the country is placed at Annexure -II
- (c) The details of the financial assistance provided to Eco-clubs during the last three years and the current year is placed at Annexure -III and the suggested list of activities carried out by them is placed at Annexure -IV.
- (d) To achieve the targets fixed under eco-club scheme the activities of eco-clubs are coordinated and monitored through a decentralized mechanism with the Ministry of Environment & Forests at the National level, State Nodal Agencies at the State level, District Implementation and Monitoring Committees at the district level and the Teachers-in-Charge at the School level. The Resource Agencies have been designated to support State Nodal Agencies in achieving the targets.
- (e)&(f) Yes, Sir. The Activity Report submitted by the State Nodal Agencies and the Resource Agencies provide the details of the activities being implemented and the achievements thereof.