

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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BAMBOO PLANTATION MODEL
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the Bamboo plantation model under the National Afforestation programme in the country, State-wise; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to spread public awareness regarding conservation of bamboo resources, forests and environment in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF & CC) is implementing the 100% centrally sponsored National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme with people's participation for afforestation of degraded forests areas. Under NAP Scheme, the funds are provided to the States for plantation under seven models of which one model viz. "Bamboo plantation" is aimed at regenerating Bamboos. The State wise details of area approved for Bamboo Plantation Component under NAP during the last five years till 28.02.2015 are given in Annexure.

To spread public awareness regarding conservation of forests and environment in the country, including Bamboo resources, 1% of the total funds under NAP is earmarked for awareness raising. Assistance is also provided to Forest Development Agencies, Regional Centres of National Afforestation and Eco-development Board and other organizations at the Central and State level for undertaking Information Education and Communication activities for meeting area and region specific awareness and communication needs.