GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:312 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2014 ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH CENTRE Panda Shri Baijayant "Jay"

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

(a) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up the National Wetland and Coastal Ecosystem Research and Training Centre in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the location identified for the purpose, State-wise;

(c) the details of fund sharing arrangement between the Centre and the States;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposal from various States including Odisha for setting up of such institutes in their respective States and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time-frame for setting up the proposed training centres?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.312 to be answered on Wednesday, the 30th July, 2014 on 'Ecosystem Research Centre' raised by Shri Baijayant Jay Panda

(a)to (e) The Government had received a proposal from the Government of Odisha to set up the National Wetland and Coastal Ecosystem Research and Training Centre at Bhubaneswar at an estimated cost of Rs. 33.607 crore, which included Rs. 22.50 crore for capital assets and Rs. 11.107 crore for recurring expenditure for a period of five years. As per the proposal, the Government of India has to bear the entire capital cost and 90 % of the recurring cost, while the Government of Odisha would provide 10 % of the recurring cost and two acres of land free of cost for establishment of the Centre. Due to budgetary constraints the proposal could not be taken up.