

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3864
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2014
PROPOSAL FOR DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Maharashtra Government has forwarded a proposal for diversion of forest land for development of Navi Mumbai International Airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has considered the proposal; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a)to (d) Proposal for diversion of 250.0635 ha forest land in favour of General manager (Airport), CIDCO Ltd. Navi Mumbai for establishment of Navi Mumbai International Airport in Alibag Forest Division in District Raigad of Maharashtra has been accorded 'in-principle' approval under the Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 on 17.12.2013 subject to certain conditions prescribed therein.