

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3065  
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USE OF TIMBER IN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to take steps to prevent the use of timber in the building constructions by reviewing the existing laws to save the forests; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS ( SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b): The Government has already issued instructions to various Ministries and State Governments to conserve forest resources through wood substitution and in building construction by substitution of material other than wood and use of wood products other than solid wood.