

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1711
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SAND MINING
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether illegal sand mining on a large scale is being carried out in the country particularly from the river-beds in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the effects thereof ;
- (c) the number of affected areas identified by the Government; and
- (d) the action taken/likely to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a)to(d) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.