

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

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SETTING UP OF BOTANICAL GARDEN

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

- (a) Whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Karnataka Bio-diversity Board for funding to establish a Botanical Garden at Tataguni Estate, Bangalore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total estimated cost of the project;
- (c) whether the Government has considered the proposal; and
- (d) if so, the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken ?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. A proposal for ex-situ Conservation of plant germplasm of a Botanical Garden at Tataguni Estate, Bangalore, Rural District, at an estimated cost of Rs. 39.70 lakhs, was received and considered by the Expert Group on Assistance to Botanical Gardens and Centers of Ex-situ Conservation. As per the recommendation of the Expert Group, the State Government has been requested to revise the proposal for ten acres of area for propagation of Rare, Endangered and Threatened plants. The revised proposal has not yet been received .