

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:726

ANSWERED ON:05.03.2007

ASSISTANCE TO FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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

(a) whether the Government has recently received a request seeking financial assistance/loan to Andaman and Nicobar Islands Forest and Plantation Development Corporation Limited; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon so far?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands Forest and Plantation Development Corporation Limited (ANIFPDCL) had submitted a request for a non-plan loan assistance of Rs. 10.49 crores to the Government for meeting its urgent liabilities of salaries / wages of its employees as well as other statutory requirements of the Corporation during the financial year 2006-07.

After seeking the mandatory approval of Ministry of Finance, the requisite financial sanction has been issued on 20.02.2007.