

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

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PLANTATION PROGRAMME ON RAILWAY LAND  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a): whether the Railways propose to give special emphasis on the programme of plantation on Railway land:
- (b): if so, the area of railway land in hectares where plantation has been undertaken during the current year and the number of saplings planted;
- (c): whether any target for plantation programme has been fixed by the Railways for the current year; and
- (d): if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): So far 45187 hectare of Railway land has been under plantation cover. Plantation is undertaken annually on the available vacant land and for this no separate area is earmarked. Over 3 lakhs (upto June, 2007) number of saplings have been planted in the current year.
- (c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. A target of 120 lakh saplings has been fixed for the current year.