

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:28
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2006
FUNDS FOR ENVIRONMENT CONSERVATION
Narhire Smt. Kalpana Ramesh

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

- (a) the extent of external assistance received for implementation of programmes meant for the conservation of environment in the country during each of the last three years;
- (b) the funds allocated to various States out of the above. State-wise;
- (c) whether the States have utilized the funds properly; and
- (d) if not, the steps taken for proper utilization of the assistance by the States?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in Reply to Parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 28 for 20.02 2006 regarding `Funds for Environment Conservation` raised by Shrimati (SAW). Kalpana Ramesh Narhaire

(a)&(b) The breakup of external assistance received for implementation of programmes meant for the conservation of environment in the country during each of the last three years:

(Rs. in crores)

	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Loan	435.74	412.24	309.89
Grant	35.71	70.63	43.82
Total	471.45	482.87	353.71

Out of the above the following external assistance has been routed through Ministry of Environment and Forests.

	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
Loan	165.148	14.485	8.456
Grant	3.24	1.00	1.00
Total	168.388	15.485	9.456

State-wise Allocation of loan in respect of external assistance being routed through Ministry of Environment & Forests is given below:

Name of States	Amount Allocated to States (Rs. in crores.)		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
West Bengal	2.173	1.862	0.101
Gujarat	9.415	2.727	2.539
Karnataka	15.543	1.006	0.694
Jharkhand	2.523	1.958	-
Madhya Pradesh	6.602	1.463	1.700
Rajasthan	6.019	2.966	0.021
Delhi	91.85	0.00	1.90
Uttar Pradesh	24.54	2.50	1.00
Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.50

Andhra Pradesh 3.23 - -
 Chattisgarh 1.59 - -

Total 163.485 14.482 8.455

State-wise allocation of grants in respect of external assistance being routed through Ministry of Environment & Forests is given below:

S.No Name of the Name of States Amount Allocated to States (Rs. in crores.)
 Project

2002-03 2003-04 2004-05

1. `Strengthening Nagaland 0.240
 Natural
 Resource
 Management
 and Farmers`
 Livelihood in
 Nagaland`

The overall funds allocated to various states, loan and grant wise, is given below.

(i) EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE- LOANS

(Rs.in crores)

S.No Source Name of Name of States Amount of External Assistance
 of fun- the Project (loans) received
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2002-03 2003-04 2004-05

1 Japan Lake Bhopal Madhya Pradesh 27.383 31.888 55.765
 Conservation
 & Management.
 Afforestation Multi-state -0.227
 of Aravalli
 Hills
 Rajasthan Rajasthan 0.928
 Forestry
 Development.
 Industrial West Bengal 19.514 2.719
 Pollution
 Control (WB)
 Attappady Kerala 10.353 11.720 16.615
 Wasteland Comp-
 rehensive
 Environment
 Gujarat Gujarat 20.575 13.793
 Afforestation
 & Development
 Project
 Eastern Karn- Karnataka 84.507 71.351 28.808
 ataka Affores-
 tation Project
 Tamil Nadu Tamil Nadu 71.313 73.046 19.659
 Afforestation
 Program
 Punjab Punjab 37.414
 Afforestation
 Project
 Punjab Punjab 56.700 44.275
 Afforestation
 Project (II)
 Rajasthan Rajasthan 20.683 62.485
 Forestry &
 Biodiversity
 Project

2 IDA Forestry Multi-states 0.029
 Research
 Education &
 Extn.
 Industrial Multi-states 40.163 0.092

Pollution Prevention Eco-devel- opment Project	Multi-states	21.915	11.451	2.341
U.P. Forestry Project	Uttar Pr.	52.405	12.018	-1.214
Kerala Forestry Project	Kerala	35.420	24.653	-4.890
AP Community Forest Management	Andhra Pradesh	13.820	82.650	86.045

Total		435.744	412.249	309.893
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(iii) EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE- GRANT

(Rs.in crores)

S.No	Source of funding	Name of the Project	Name of States (grant) received	Amount	of External Assistance	
				2002-03	2003-04	2004-05

1	E.E.C Community Forestry Project	Haryana	Haryana	11.351	13.511	17.195
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2	Nether lands Plan Support Project	Green Environment Programme.	Hyderabad Andhra Pradesh	10.567	6.733	3.956
				13.152	49.152	8.956

3	United Kingdom Forestry Project 1992	Western Ghats	Multi-states	0.058		
	Calcutta Envi-ronmental Improvement Project	West Bengal		0.729	8.763	
	Himachal Pradesh Forest Sector Reform Project.	Himachal Pradesh		0.505	3.723	

4	Norway Indo-Norwegian Environment Programme.	Multi-states		0.245	1.225	
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5	UNDP Green Rating of Indian Industry Capacity Building in Environmental Programmes	Multi-states		0.30	0.04	
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TOTAL		35.715	70.632	43.820		
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(c) & (d) Utilization of the sanctioned foreign assistance for any project is a continuous process spread over its implementation period. As a result, there would be some unutilized amount at any point of time; these amounts will be utilized as the project implementation progresses. Moreover, the project implementation authorities like the Central Line Ministries /Departments, State Governments or the Public Sector Units (PSUs) work under diverse constraints. Some of the steps taken by the Government to improve aid utilization are ensuring adequate provisioning for externally aided projects in the budgets of State and Central Government, streamlining of procurement procedures, disintermediation of the flow of external aid to Central Public Sector Undertakings, strengthening of Project Monitoring Units in some States and Central Ministries, appointment of Nodal Officers for the States and regular review of project etc.