

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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ADARSH GRAM YOJANA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan for more plantation under Adarsh Gram Yojana and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide vegetable and fruit plants for Adarsh Gram Yojana through the forest department; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) As per the guidelines under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojna Scheme issued by the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development, the activities in an adarsh gram interalia include road side plantations, tree plantations in accordance with local preferences in homesteads, schools and public institutions- including green walkways and social forestry plantations aiming at increasing coverage of trees in rural areas.

(b) & (c) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) is implementing the National Mission for a Green India (GIM) to improve and increase forest & tree cover in the country with landscape approach including rural landscapes. GIM interalia seeks to encourage agro forestry and social forestry activities through tree plantations in agricultural lands, homesteads, school yards, compounds of various offices, private and public establishments, public spaces, roadsides and along canals etc with people's participation. The mission also supports raising and distribution of quality seedlings of species of local demand including vegetable and fruit plants at a subsidized price.