GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 947 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2019

Funds Released under Various Schemes

947 SHRI KIRTI AZAD: SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds released to Darbhanga in Bihar and Sonepat in Haryana under various schemes of his Ministry;
- (b) whether the funds released under the said schemes have been utilized under the respective schemes;
- (c) if so, the details of the schemes under which the work has been completed or is near completion; and
- (d) the reasons of non-completion of works under the said schemes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

a) Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change provides funds for regeneration of degraded forests and adjoining areas through people's participation through a Centrally Sponsored Scheme "National Afforestation Programme (NAP)". The Scheme is being implemented through a decentralized mechanism of State Forest Development Agency (SFDA) at State level, Forest Development Agency (FDA) at Forest Division level and Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) at Village level. Funds are released toState Forest Development Agency's(SFDA's) through State Governments; in –turn State Forest Development Agency (SFDA) releases funds to Forest Development Agencies(FDAs). No fund released to Darbhanga in Bihar under National Afforestation Programme (NAP). Funds to the tune of Rs. 892.12 Lakh were released to State Forest Development Agency (SFDA), Haryana during last three years (2015-16 to 2017-18) which includes Rs. 113.59 lakhs sanctioned for Sonepat Forest Development Agency (FDA) under National Afforestation Programme (NAP). The details are as under:-

| Year | Total Release | Release to Sonepat FDA |
|---------|---------------|------------------------|
| | (Rs. in Lakh) | (Rs. in Lakh) |
| 2015-16 | 271.06 | 34.90 |
| 2016-17 | 350.00 | 43.79 |
| 2017-18 | 271.06 | 34.90 |
| Total | 892.12 | 113.59 |

b), (c) & (d) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change received Utilization Certificate (UC) for the amount released during 2015-16 from State Forest Development Agency (SFDA), Haryana with an amount of Rs. 248.00 lakh out of Rs. 271.06 lakh. No data is maintained in the Ministry district-wise separately.