

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1436**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/12/2015

**Funds for TTZ**

1436. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

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

- (a) the funds allocated/released during the last three years to the Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ) Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority;
- (b) whether the administrative set-up for Taj Trapezium Zone Authority is adequate for discharging the functions entrusted to TTZ;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government is aware of the fact that TTZ is not functioning optimally and if so, the steps taken to rectify the same?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) No funds have been allocated / released during the last three years by the Central Government to Taj Trapezium Zone Authority (TTZA).

(b) to (d) TTZA was set up in 1999 under section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for protection and improvement of environment around the Taj Mahal at Agra, Uttar Pradesh and was revamped in April, 2003. TTZA has been empowered to exercise powers under Section 5 (related to direction) as well as section 19 (related to prosecution) of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to implement its mandate and is discharging its functions. The Commissioner, Agra Division is the Chairman of the Authority and the administrative infrastructure available with that office is being used for discharging the functions of TTZA.

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