

# Particulars of Organization, functions and duties of Ministry of Environment & Forests

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The following items of work have been allocated to the Ministry of Environment & Forests:

- Environment and Ecology, including environment in coastal waters, in mangroves and coral reefs but excluding marine environment on the high seas;
- Environmental Research and development , education, training , information and awareness.
- Environmental Health.
- Environment Impact Assessment
- Forest Development Agency and Joint Forest Management Programme for Conservation, management and afforestation.
- Survey and Exploration of Natural Resources particularly of Forests , flora ,Fauna , Ecosystems etc.
- Bio-diversity Conservation including that of lakes and Wetlands.
- Conservation, development , management and abatement of pollution of rivers which shall include National river Conservation Directorate.
- Wildlife conservation, preservation, protection planning , research , education, training and awareness including Project Tiger and Project Elephant.
- International Co-operation on issues concerning Environment , Forestry and Wildlife .
- Botanical Survey of India (BSI) and Botanical Gardens.
- Zoological Survey of India(ZSI).
- National Museum of Natural History(NMNH).
- Biosphere Reserve Programme.
- National Forests Policy and Forestry Development in the country , including Social Forestry.
- All matters relating to Forest and Forest Administration in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands .
- Indian Forest Service.
- Wildlife Preservation and protection of wild birds and animals.
- Fundamental and applied Research training including higher education in Forestry.
- Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park.
- National Assistance to Forestry Development Schemes.
- Indian Plywood Industries Research and Training Institute (IPIRTI), Bangalore.
- Afforestation and Eco-development which shall include National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board (NAEB).
- Desert and Desertification.
- Forest Survey of India .
- Indian Institute of Bio-diversity , Itanagar.
- Central Pollution Control Board.
- G.B.Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment & Development.
- Wildlife Institute of India and Indian board for wildlife.
- Indian Institute of Forests Management.
- Central Zoo Authority including National Zoological Park.
- Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education.
- Andaman & Nicobar Islands Forests & Plantation Development Corporation Ltd.
- The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals .
- Matters relating to pounds and cattle trespass.

- Gaushalas and Gaudsadans.
  - The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 (59 of 1960).
  - The National Environment Tribunal Act, 1995 (27 of 1995).
  - The National Environment Appellate Authority Act, 1997 ( 22 of 1997).
  - The Water Prevention and Control of Pollution Act,1974 (6 of 1974).
  - The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act,1977 ( 36 of 1977).
  - The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act,1981 ( 14 of 1981).
  - The Indian Forest Act,1927 (16 of 1927).
  - The Wildlife (Protection) Act,1972 ( 53 of 1972).
  - The Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 (69 of 1980).
  - The Environment(Protection), Act,1986 (29 of 1986).
  - The Public Liability Insurance Act,1991 ( 6 of 1991)
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