

Prescribed Format for Information.

Sr. No.	Aspect	Details
1.	Name of the State/UT	U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
2.	Number of forest fire incidents in 2024 in the State/UT	16 Nos. of Forest fire incidents in Notified Forest areas which are ground fires only.
3.	Causes for the forest fires specified separately under the categories of natural, man-made or any other reason (the reason may be specified);	
	Natural Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents
		Cause
	Manmade Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents
		Cause
	Others Forest Fire	Number of Forest Fire Incidents
		Cause
4.	Measures taken to remedy the damage caused by the forest fires;	
	Natural Forest Fire	• Deployment of watch ward staff including executive and protection watchers for continuous patrolling in and around forest areas. • Creation and maintenance of fire lines around forest boundaries to contain fire spread. • Active community participation via Joint Forest Management Committees and local village awareness programs to promote forest ecosystem rejuvenation and stewardship. • Firefighting equipment provision and training for forest guards. • Post-fire damage assessment using ground surveys, remote sensing, and drone reconnaissance to map affected
	Manmade Forest Fire	
	Others Forest Fire	



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		zones and evaluate impacts on vegetation, soils, and wildlife habitat. • Soil stabilization through mulching and sowing of native grasses. • Reforestation with native species, engaging local nurseries to supply quality planting material. • Repair and desilting of water sources and watershed structures such as check dams and streams. • Restoration of wildlife habitats including provision of temporary food, water, and shelter supports. • Monitoring of vegetation recovery and adaptive management of restoration activities. • Inclusion of local communities in restoration efforts with employment opportunities and compensation for damage to community forest lands.
5.	Preventive measures proposed to be taken for preventing forest fires during the year 2025 and the following years;	
	Natural Forest Fire	• Regular patrolling by watch ward staff including executive and protection watchers. • Establishment and upkeep of fire lines and fire belts around vulnerable forest areas. • Strengthening community involvement through Joint Forest Management Committees and awareness campaigns at village and school levels. • Equipping forest guards and rapid response teams with firefighting tools and conducting capacity-building training. • Implementation of fire risk mapping and early warning systems using satellite-based fire detection tools and seasonal fire risk rating maps. • Controlled prescribed burning during low-risk periods to reduce combustible biomass under strict supervision.
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		- Enforcement of regulatory controls prohibiting unauthorized burning of grasslands, agricultural stubble, and dry leaves during fire season. - Use of remote sensing, thermal imaging, and drones for fire monitoring especially in difficult-to-access terrain. - Establishment of control rooms for real-time coordination among forest, disaster management, and local administration. - Allocation of dedicated budget for fire prevention equipment, manpower, and patrols, accompanied by preparation of annual fire management plans. Promotion of long-term ecological measures such as planting fire-resistant native species and maintaining forest moisture regimes through canopy cover and wetland protection.									
6.	Budget amount allocated for undertaking remedial measures for remedying the damage caused by forest fires during the year 2024 with details regarding adequacy of the amount and modes of utilization; and	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">2024-2025</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Particulars</th><th>Budget Amount Allocated (Rs. in Lakhs)</th><th>Expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs) till March 2025</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>U.T. Fund</td><td>49.50</td><td>49.16</td></tr> </tbody> </table> The funds are adequate considering the incidents occurring in this U.T.	2024-2025			Particulars	Budget Amount Allocated (Rs. in Lakhs)	Expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs) till March 2025	U.T. Fund	49.50	49.16
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