

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No 1128
TO BE ANSWERED ON THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2015**

APPLICATION TO CHECK AIR QUALITY

1128. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM) launched an application to enhance awareness among the public on the hazards of air pollution and also to enable the citizens to check air quality in real terms;**
- (b) If so, the details thereof and the names of the cities in which this facility is presently available; and**
- (c) whether it is proposed to extend this facility to other parts of the country in the near future, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND
MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY)**

- (a) Yes Sir.**
- (b) The SAFAR-Air Application (Android and iPhone compatible) is launched on 17th February 2015. The SAFAR-Air, upon registration and activation, provides site specific information on Air Quality in near real time and its forecast for the next 24 hours for Delhi, Pune and Mumbai. The SAFAR-Air monitoring and prediction is being done with the network of monitoring stations in and around national capital Delhi, Pune and Mumbai. The data quality is controlled and the project SAFAR is ISO 9001-2008 accredited.**
- (c) No Sir.**
