

WHY GREEN COVER IS ACTUALLY THINNING

1 Delhi's total geographical area is 1,483 sq km

2 In 2017, forest cover was spread over 192.4 sq km, which is 13% of the total area...

3 ... In 2015, this was slightly lower at 189 sq km, which means a 0.3% change

4 But this change masks the loss in very dense forest



DELHI AT NO. 2

GREEN FACTS

SCRUB Degraded forest land with canopy density less than 10%

WHAT IS A FOREST, ACCORDING TO FOREST SURVEY OF INDIA?

An area of 1 ha with canopy density of 10% and above

WHAT IS TREE COVER? Small patches of trees less than 1 ha in extent such as trees in small-scale plantations, compact blocks, woodlots, or trees along linear features, such as roads, canals or bunds

(Figures in sq km)

VDF All land with canopy density 70% & above (very dense forest)



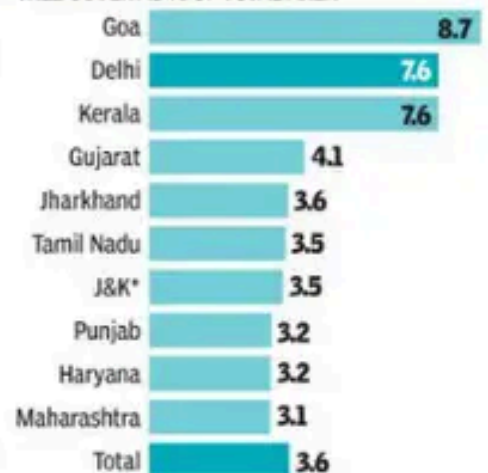
MDF All land with canopy density 40% and above (moderately dense forest)



OF All land with canopy density 10% and more (open forest)



TREE COVER AS % OF TOTAL AREA



The list doesn't include Union Territories except Delhi
* Includes Jammu and Kashmir area outside LOC under illegal occupation of Pakistan and China

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/delhi/delhis-forest-cover-is-up-0-3-since-2015-but-its-nothing-to-cheer-about/articleshow/62891909.cms>

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