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FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT, 1980 FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT, 1980 69 of 1980 27th December, 1980 STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS Deforestation cause's ecological imbalance and leads to environmental deterioration. Deforestation had been taking place on a large scale in the country and it had caused widespread concern. 2. With a view to checking further deforestation, the President promulgated on the 25th October, 1980, the Forest (Conservation) Ordinance, 1980. The Ordinance made the prior approval of the Central Government necessary for de-reservation of reserved forests and for use of forest land for non-forest purposes. The Ordinance also provided for the constitution of an advisory committee to advise the Central Government with regard to grant of such approval. 3. The Bill seeks to replace the aforesaid Ordinance -Gaz. of India. 2-12-1980, Pt. 11-S.2, Ext., p. 1183. An Act to provide for the conservation of forests and for matters connected therewith or ancillary or incidental thereto. Be it enacted by Parliament in the Thirty-first year of the Republic of India as follows:-