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[English]

Coach Factory in Allahabad

1038. SHRI SHASHI PRAKASH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for dropping the proposal for setting up of a railway coach factory in Chail area of district Allahabad;

(b) whether the proposal for setting up of this factory is likely to be revived;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) There was no proposal to set up a coach factory in Chail area of District Allahabad at any stage.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks

1039. SHRI ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the total forest area declared as Wild Life Sanctuaries and National Parks State-wise; and

(b) the schemes for protection, preservation and expansion of such Sanctuaries and National Parks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The total area under wildlife sanctuaries and national parks is reported to be 1,40,382 sq kms. It is however not possible to state precisely the total forest area declared as wildlife sanctuaries and national parks as many of them contain non-forest areas like villages, revenue lands, wetlands, oceans etc. with no survey and demarcation between forest and non-forest areas carried out in many cases.

(b) The Centrally sponsored/Central sector schemes under which assistance is provided to the State Governments for the protection, preservation and expansion of sanctuaries and national parks are as follows:-

- (i) Project Tiger (for national parks and sanctuaries constituting Tiger Reserves.)
- (ii) Assistance for the development of sanctuaries and national parks.
- (iii) Ecodevelopment around national parks and sanctuaries, including Tiger Reserves.
- (iv) Project Elephant (for sanctuaries and national parks consigning elephants).
- (v) Beneficiary Oriented Scheme for Tribals (for the resettlement of tribals from inside national parks and sanctuaries).