

[Translation]

Death of Stags in Dudhawa National Park

5649. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that a large number of stags have died due to submersion of large part of protected forest area of Dudhawa National Park; and

(b) if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and same will be laid on the Table of the House.

ASI Survey in U.P. and other States

5650. SHRI MOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India had carried out any excavation in various districts of U.P. and other States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the success achieved in these excavation;

(c) whether some places after being accepted as places of archaeological importance have been reserved;

(d) if so, the details of these places; and

(e) the time by which excavation work is likely to be commenced at these places?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) The Archaeological Survey of India has carried out excavations at 29 sites in U.P. and 160 sites in other states. The details of these excavations have since been published in concerned editions of "Indian Archaeology—A Review" up to 1992-93. Details of the excavations carried out from 1993-94 onwards are given in the statement in the enclosed Statement-I.

(c) to (e) A total of 477 sites have been reserved for excavation in the enclosed Statement-II. The priority for excavations are determined by need to establish vital linkages in history, subject to availability of funds. It is not possible to indicate a time-frame in this regard.

Statement-I

Details of Excavations carried out by the Archaeological Survey of India in Uttar Pradesh and other States during the year 1993-94 to 1997-98.

Sl.No.	Name of Site	District	Achievement
1	2	3	4

Abbreviations with time tracks followed in the Statement:

PGW	Painted Grey Ware Culture - Circa 1100 B.C. - 600 B.C. (early Iron age)
B&RW	Black and Red Ware culture - Pre-1100 B.C.
BSW	Black Slipped Ware culture - pre 600 B.C. (early Iron age)
NBP'V	Northern Black Polished Ware culture Circa 600-200