

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:406

ANSWERED ON:16.04.2001

MAINTENANCE OF NATIONAL PARKS/SANCTUARIES

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of recognised and unrecognised National Zoological Parks/Sanctuaries/ forest reserves in the country at present, State-wise;
- (b) the details of guidelines issued by the Central Zoo Authority for their maintenance and upkeep;
- (c) whether some of these parks/sanctuaries/forest reserves are in bad shape;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government have received any schemes /proposals from different States for development and maintenance of sanctuaries/National Parks etc. during the last three years and current year; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the steps being taken to clear these schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a), (b),(c),(d), (e) & (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF THE STARRED QUESTION No. 406 DUE FOR REPL 16.4.2001 REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF NATIONAL PARKS /SANCTUARIES.

(a) The list of recognised and unrecognised Zoological Parks is at Annexure -I. The list of National Parks and Sanctuaries is at Annexure-II. There are a very large number of reserve forests in the country and these are identified and managed by the State Governments. The Central Government does not maintain any consolidated list in this regard.

(b) Government of India has laid down standards and norms for the maintenance and upkeep of zoo animals under Recognition of Zoo (Rules) 1992. These Rules were notified vide Gazette Notification No. GSR No. 711(E) New Delhi dated 4th August, 1992.

(c)&(d) The Central Zoo Authority has carried out a rapid evaluation of all the large , medium and small zoos recently.The list of zoos in bad shape is at Annexure-III.

(e) & (f) The details of proposals for grant of financial assistance received from various State Governments and the amount of financial assistance sanctioned by the Central Government for development of National Parks and Sanctuaries during the last three years are at Annexure -IV. No proposals have been received during the current financial year.