

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2209  
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TIGER RESERVES  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to increase the number of Tiger Reserves in the country;
- (b) if so, the details indicating the areas selected for the purpose, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government are unable to fund needed activity for the existing number of Tiger Reserves across the country;
- (d) if so, the manner in which the Government are to take care of new reserves; and
- (e) the details regarding funding pattern for the purpose?

**Answer**

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India proposes to increase the area of Tiger Reserves by 4914 sq.km during the Xth Five Year Plan period, and the following proposals have been received:

- 1) Anamalai -Parambikulam - Kerala - Tamil Nadu - 1430 sq.km  
Wildlife Sanctuary
- 2) Satkosia Gorge & Baisipada - Orissa - 988 sq.km  
Wildlife Sanctuary
- 3) Udanti Wildlife Sanctuary - Chattisgarh - 1580 sq.km
- 4) Achanakmar Wildlife Sanctuary - Chattisgarh - 552 sq.km
- 5) Chandoli Wildlife Sanctuary - Maharashtra - 364 sq.km

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Adequate amount of Central Assistance based on budget allocation is being provided to the Tiger Reserves under 'Project Tiger', which is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the Ministry, wherein funding support is provided for Non Recurring(100%) and Recurring(50%) items of work. Demands of the Tiger Reserves are assessed after careful scrutiny of their Annual Plan of Operation, and any emergent needs are met based on the State Government's proposal and field assessment.