

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

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

- (a) Whether cat-skin tanning enterprises are being run from residences in various States of the country ;
- (b) If so, the details of such enterprises, State -wise
- (c) The action taken or proposed to be taken against such enterprises; and
- (d) The details of cat-skin seized and its value thereof during 1999-2000 and till date ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a)to(c) During January , 2000, cat-skin tanning facilities which were operating illegally were unearthed in Khaga town of Fatehpur District of Uttar Pradesh. Six persons were arrested in connection with the illegal activities and the case has been handed over to Central Bureau of Investigation for further investigation.

(d) The details of cat-skin seized during 1999-2000 and till date is given in the Statement attached Statement

S.No	Date	Month	Year	Species	Part No.
1	24	9	1999	Tiger Skin-	1
2	19	12	1999	Leopard Skin	50
3	19	12	1999	Tiger Skin-	3
4	2	1	2000	Leopard Skin	1
5	7	1	2000	Tiger Skin-	1
6	12	1	2000	Leopard Skin	70
7	12	1	2000	Tiger Skin-	4
8	13	1	2000	Leopard Skin	1
9	21	1	2000	Tiger Skin-	1
10	22	1	2000	Leopard Skin	2
11	2	2	2000	Leopard Skin	4
12	10	2	2000	Leopard Skin	1
13	10	2	2000	Leopard Skin	1
14	13	2	2000	Leopard Skin	1
15	21	2	2000	Leopard Skin	1
16	22	2	2000	Tiger Skin-	1
17	22	2	2000	Tiger Skin-	2
18	24	2	2000	Leopard Skin	1
19	31	3	2000	Leopard Skin	2
20	1	4	2000	Leopard Skin	6
21	1	4	2000	Leopard Skin	1
22	20	4	2000	Leopard Skin	1
23	6	5	2000	Leopard Skin	50
24	8	5	2000	Leopard Skin	3
25	15	5	2000	Leopard Skin	1
26	19	5	2000	Leopard Skin	7
27	21	5	2000	Leopard Skin	30
28	21	5	2000	Leopard Skin	8
29	21	5	2000	Tiger Skin-	1
30	21	5	2000	Leopard Skin	1
31	26	2	2000	Leopard Skin	4

It is difficult to intimate the cost of cat-skins are trade in tiger, panther and lion products is prohibited globally.