

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:202  
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MISSING OF SKINS OF WILD ANIMALS  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government have been impounding the skins of tigers, tigresses, serpents and other protected animals;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the Government are disposing of these skins;
- (c) whether the skins of such animals have been found missing from various Zoos and forest reserves during the last three years current year;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, year-wise till date;
- (e) whether the Government have conducted any enquiry in the regard and if so, the outcome thereof, zoo-wise; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to remedy the situation ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BALLU)

(a) and (b) The details of the skins of various wild animals confiscated during the last three years are given in the Statement enclosed. Under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, there is a ban on sale of the skins. derived from animals listed out in Schedule I and Part I of Schedule II of the Act. The central Government has issued directives to State Government the except those skins which are needed by the museums and scientific institutions for education and awareness purposes, all other skins should be destroyed and burnt.

S. No	Species	Day	Month	Year	State	Number
1	Tiger	1	1998	Karnataka-		5
2	Tiger	20	4	1998	Maharashtra	1
3	Tiger	25	5	1998	M.P.	1
4	Tiger	24	9	1998	West Bengal	1
5	Tiger	8	9	1998	West Bengal	1
6	Tiger	20	10	1998	New Delhi	1
7	Tiger	1	11	1998	U.P	1
8	Tiger	7	11	1998	U.P	2
9	Tiger	1	11	1998	New Delhi	1
10	Leopard	20	1	1998	H.P.	5
11	Leopard	2	2	1998	U.P	3
12	Leopard	25	2	1998	U.P	3
13	Leopard	4	5	1998	U.P	3
14	Leopard	25	5	1998	M.P	1
15	Leopard	19	6	1998	Maharashtra	3
16	Leopard	14	10	1998	U.P.	3
17	Leopard	1	11	1998	New Delhi-	1
18	Leopard	6	11	1998	U.P	1
19	Leopard	11	11	1998	H.P.	3
20	Leopard	17	11	1998	New Delhi-	2
21	Deer	26	9	1998		5
22	Varanus	13	7	1998	Mumbai	5
23	Tiger	13	1	1999	U.P	1
24	Tiger	24	2	1999	M.P	2
25	Tiger	15	2	1999	M.P	1
26	Tiger	28	3	1999	Delhi	1
27	Tiger	5	3	1999	M.P.	2
28	Tiger	30	3	1999	Maharashtra	1
29	Tiger	1	3	1999	Tamil Nadu	1
30	Tiger	24	4	1999	U.P.	1
31	Tiger	25	4	1999	And. Pradesh	1
32	Tiger	21	4	1999	U.P	1

33 Tiger 20 4 1999 M.P. 3  
34 Tiger 20/21 5 1999 Maharashtra 2  
35 Tiger 16 7 1999 U.P. 1  
36 Tiger 7 1999 And. Pradesh 2  
37 Tiger 8 1999 West Bengal 3  
38 Tiger 9 8 1999 West Bengal 1  
39 Tiger 8 1999 West Bengal 1  
40 Tiger 9 1999 U.P. 1  
41 Tiger 9 1999 Tamil Nadu 2  
42 Tiger 10 1999 U.P. 3  
43 Tiger 10 1999 M.P. 1  
44 Tiger 12 1999 U.P. 3  
45 Tiger 12 1999 U.P. 1  
46 Tiger 12 1999 U.P. 1  
47 Leopard 13 1 1999 U.P. 2  
48 Leopard 11 2 1999 U.P. 3  
49 Leopard 12 2 1999 U.P. 1  
50 Leopard 15 2 1999 M.P. 3  
51 Leopard 24 2 1999 M.P. 2  
52 Leopard 1 3 1999 Tamil Nadu 1  
53 Leopard 20 4 1999 M.P. 6  
54 Leopard 20 5 1999 Maharashtra 2  
55 Leopard 27 5 1999 U.P. 4  
56 Leopard 28 8 1999 Assam 4  
57 Leopard 18 12 1999 Assam 50  
58 Crocodile 25 2 1999 Assam 1  
59 Deer 25 2 1999 Assam 6  
60 Monitor 25 2 1999 Assam 1  
Lizard  
61 Pangolin 25 2 1999 Assam 3  
62 Python 25 2 1999 Assam 2  
63 Snake 1 4 1999 Mumbai 45  
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64 Monitor 27 7 1999 Mumbai 11000  
Lizard  
65 Tiger 12 1 2000 U.P. 4  
66 Tiger 7 1 2000 U.P. 1  
67 Cobra 14 2 2000 Mumbai 80  
68 Tiger 21 1 2000 Andhra 1  
69 Tiger 22 2 2000 Delhi 1  
70 Tiger 22 2 2000 W.B. 2  
71 Tiger 1 4 2000 W.B. 1  
72 Tiger 20 5 2000 Maharashtra 1  
73 Tiger 17 7 2000 Delhi 1  
74 Tiger 12 6 2000 M.P. 1  
75 Tiger 21 7 2000 Maharashtra 1  
76 Tiger 4 8 2000 W.B. 1  
77 Tiger 8 8 2000 Maharashtra 2  
78 Tiger 25 8 2000 W.B. 1  
79 Tiger 30 8 2000 U.P. 1  
80 Tiger 15 9 2000 W.B. 1  
81 Tiger 24 9 2000 W.B. 1  
82 Tiger 9 10 2000 Andhra 1  
83 Tiger 26 10 2000 M.P. 2  
84 Tiger 3 11 2000 Andhra 1  
85 Tiger 16 11 2000 U.P. 2  
86 Leopard 2 1 2000 W.B. 1  
87 Leopard 12 1 2000 U.P. 70  
88 Leopard 13 1 2000 U.P. 1  
89 Leopard 22 1 2000 Maharashtra 2  
90 Leopard 22 1 2000 Maharashtra 2  
91 Leopard 2 2 2000 U.P. 4  
92 Leopard 10 2 2000 Mumbai 1  
93 Leopard 10 2 2000 Maharashtra 1  
94 Leopard 10 2 2000 Maharashtra 1  
95 Leopard 13 2 2000 Maharashtra 1  
96 Leopard 21 2 2000 Maharashtra 1  
97 Leopard 24 2 2000 M.P. 1  
98 Leopard 31 3 2000 U.P. 2  
99 Leopard 1 4 2000 U.P. 6  
100 Leopard 20 4 2000 Delhi 1  
101 Leopard 6 5 2000 U.P. 50  
102 Leopard 8 5 2000 H.P. 3  
103 Leopard 15 5 2000 U.P. 1  
104 Leopard 19 5 2000 M.P. 7  
105 Leopard 21 5 2000 U.P. 30  
106 Leopard 21 5 2000 U.P. 1  
107 Leopard 20 6 2000 Punjab 4  
108 Leopard 20 6 2000 Punjab 4  
109 Leopard 16 7 2000 Delhi 1  
110 Black 12 1 2000 U.P. 221

Buck

111 Snake 13 6 2000 Chennai 2000  
112 Otter 2 5 2000 W.B. 81  
113 Otter 6 5 2000 U.P. 15  
114 Otter 18 1 2000 U.P. 5  
115 Tiger 15 1 2001 U.P. 1  
116 Tiger 25 2 2001 U.P. 1  
117 leopard 2 1 2001 Rajasthan- 2  
118 Crocodile 2 3 2001 Mumbai 5  
(Article)

119 Snake 2 3 2001 Mumbai 11  
(Article)

120 Varanus 2 3 2001 Mumbai 2  
(Article)

121 Python 5 3 2001 Mumbai 2  
and Rat  
Sanke

122 Lizard 5 3 2001 Mumbai 3

Total 13877

(c) & (d) Information in this regard is not readily available and is being collected from State Governments.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.