

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

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TASK FORCE ON TIGER RESERVES

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

- (a) whether the Task Force constituted to review the country's dwindling tiger population has submitted its report to the Government;
- (b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Task Force;
- (c) if not, the reasons for the delay;
- (d) by when the report is likely to be submitted;
- (e) whether experts have voiced their disquiet over the proposal of Government to set up a National Wildlife Bureau to check poaching; and
- (f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a)to(d)The report of the Task Force has been finalised and will be presented to the Prime Minister shortly.
- (e)&(f) The concerns/suggestions received in this regard have been duly considered.