

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

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CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN TIGER RESERVES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the tiger reserves in the country having connectivity between them and also those having no connectivity between them;
- (b) whether tiger reserves having no connectivity between them are causing genetic problems in breeding amongst tigers thereby restricting the increase in the population of tigers; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) The list of all Tiger reserves in the country are at Annexure-1. Tiger reserves in the country are not connected by natural forest corridors with each other except Pench Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh with Pench Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra and Buxa Tiger Reserve in West Bengal with Manas Tiger Reserve in Assam.
- (b) No such report has come to the notice of this Ministry on genetic problem due to inbreeding of tigers in wild in India.
- (c) Question does not arise.