

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3697
ANSWERED ON:23.08.2004
DEATH OF ANIMALS DUE TO FLOODS DROUGHT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of animals and creatures which have died in the National Zoological Parks/Sanctuaries including Kaziranga National Park due to floods and drought situation in the country during the last three years and current year, till-date, State-wise and National Zoological Parks/State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to save them;
- (c) the amount allocated for their treatment and to meet the problem of food during the said period, State-wise;
- (d) whether the allocated amount has been disbursed in time as per the demand;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken to remove the encroachment, if any, made by Bangladeshies in the Kaziranga National Park?

Answer

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

- (a) As per the reports received till date, the required information is given at Annexure.
- (b)&(c)The protection of wildlife is the responsibility of the State Governments and the Central Government provides financial and technical assistance on the basis of proposals received from the State Governments under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes 'Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries', 'Project Tiger' and 'Project Elephant'. There is no specific amount allocated to meet the problem of food for wild animals.
- (d)&(e)The utilization of the allocated amount is conveyed to the Central Government on annual basis after completion of the Financial Year. The timings of disbursement by the State Governments are neither compiled nor collated by the Ministry.
- (f)The Central Government have, vide their letter No. 7-16/2002-FC dated 3-5-2002, issued detailed guidelines to all the State/UT Governments for eviction of all in-eligible encroachers from the forest lands.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3697 for 23.08.2004 regarding death of animals due to floods/drought

S.No. Name of State Name of Protected Areas No. of animals died during

2002 2003 2004

1	Assam	Kaziranga National Park	63	40	106
2	Assam	Orang National Park	Nil	Nil	321
3	Assam	Dibru-Saikhowa National Park	Nil	Nil	35
4	Assam	Burachapori Wildlife Sanctuary	Nil	Nil	55
5	Assam	Pabitora Wildlife Sanctuary	Nil	Nil	18
6	Assam	Laokhowa Wildlife Sanctuary	Nil	Nil	2
7	Assam	Manas National Park	Nil	Nil	1

Total 63 40 538

1 Arunachal Pradesh Pakke Tiger Reserve Nil Nil 6

Total 6