

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

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CBI INQUIRY ON DECREASING TIGER POPULATION
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has entrusted to the CBI the probe into the dwindling tiger population due to poaching in some States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the progress made so far, in this direction; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to improve tiger population in each State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a), (b) & (c) Time and again, in specific instances of tiger poaching/seizures, the States are advised to transfer such cases to the CBI, considering their national/international ramification.
- (d) The milestone initiatives taken by the Government to protect the tiger are at Annexure-I.