GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4267 ANSWERED ON:21.04.2010 KILLING OF TIGERS AND LEOPARDS Kumar Shri Vishwa Mohan

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

- (a) whether 120 tigers and 425 leopards were killed in Maharashtra during the period from the year 2005 to 2007 as reported in the media recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the effective measures taken by the Government in this regard including the funds sanctioned and spent during the last three years and the current year, year-wise?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) As reported by the State, the year-wise mortality of tigers and leopards are at Annexure-I.
- (c) The milestone initiatives taken by the Government of India for protection of tigers and other wild animals are at Annexure-II. Details of funding assistance provided to Maharashtra under the ongoing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger, during the last three years and current year, alongwith their utilization, are at Annexure-III.