

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:417

ANSWERED ON:08.12.2010

ZOOLOGICAL PARKS

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

- (a) the details of the zoological parks/ zoos in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the funds sanctioned and utilized by each State/UT for upkeep and maintenance of zoological parks/zoos during each of the last three years in the country;
- (c) whether several State Governments have forwarded fresh proposals for setting up new zoological parks/zoos in their State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the decision taken by the Government on each of these proposals;
- (f) whether the Union Government proposes to introduce safari type zoological parks in the existing zoological parks; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (g) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (g) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 417 ON "ZOOLOGICAL PARKS" FOR REPLY ON 08.12.2010.

(a) & (b) There are 198 recognized zoos in the country, as per details given in the Annexure I. The details of funds sanctioned by the Central Zoo Authority to various States/ Union Territories for upkeep and maintenance of Zoological Parks/ Zoos during the last three years are given in the Annexure II.

(c) to (e) The Ministry of Environment and Forests has received six proposals from the State Governments during 2009-10 and 2010-11 for setting up new Zoological Parks/Zoos. The details are given in the Annexure III.

(f) & (g) Responsibility for setting up 'safari' in the existing zoological parks lies with the concerned State Governments, which are to be set up as per the guidelines of the Central Zoo Authority.