

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct an animal corridor to link the two parts of the Papikonda Game Sanctuary across the river Godavari;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken to protect the continuity of the Eastern Ghats wildlife habitat?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) As per the information received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, there is no proposal before the Government of Andhra Pradesh to build an animal corridor across river Godavari to link the two parts of Papikonda National Park.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh has declared Papikonda as a National Park in the Eastern Ghats to conserve wildlife and its habitat. Further a network of Protected Areas including those in Eastern Ghats has been established to protect and conserve wildlife including rare animals and their habitats.