

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3524  
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009  
ELEPHANT RESERVE  
Mahant Dr. Charan Das

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

- (a) whether the Government had given approval for creation of an Elephant Reserve in the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received a revised proposal from the State Government of Chhattisgarh in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and
- (e) the likely impact of the revised proposal on the movement of elephant in the area?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Government of India has given approval for the creation of two Elephant Reserves in the Chhattisgarh State. One of the approved Elephant Reserve consists of Badakhhol Manora and Tamorpingla extending over an area of 1048.30 sq km and other Elephant reserve is Lemru extending over an area 450 sq km.
- (c): No, Sir
- (d) & (e): Does not arise