GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:701 ANSWERED ON:08.07.2009 PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LAKE Panda Shri Baijayant

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

- (a) whether the State Government in Orissa has submitted a proposal of Rs. 17 crore for development of Ansupa lake, and another separate proposal for grant of funds for development of Nandankanan Zoological Park in the State;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the status of these projects; and
- (c) the time-frame by which funds are likely to be sanctioned for development of these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) A proposal for Rs. 1787.22 lakhs on "Integrated Sustainable Environmental Conservation of Ansupa Lake and its Ecosystem" was received from the Govt. of Orissa during 2008-09. An amount of Rs. 27 lakhs has been released to the State Govt. to undertake some of the development activities. The State Government has been requested to prepare a comprehensive Management Action Plan for conservation of this lake on long-term basis. An annual plan for Rs. 290.50 lakhs has also been received from the Government of Orissa for Nandankanan Zoological Park for the year 2009-10. Funds will be released subject to the availability of budgetary provisions and fulfillment of necessary procedural requirements.