## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

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PROTECTION OF NATIONAL PARKS
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## Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed levying of a cess as a percentage of takeover on all privately-run tourist facilities within five km. of the boundary of a protected area including tiger reserves in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the extent to which it will be benefited to the National Parks of the country?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SMT. JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a)to (c) Action has been initiated for evolving a set of ecotourism guidelines to benefit fringe dwelling local people, with a view to elicit local support for tiger conservation.