GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1025 ANSWERED ON:28.11.2011 ANIMALS IN ZOOLOGICAL PARKS Adityanath Shri Yogi;Argal Shri Ashok

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

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals from various States for setting up of new zoos in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise especially in Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government has noticed any constraints in setting up of the said zoos in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the present number of various animals in each of these zoological parks; and
- (f) the details of the changed number of the animals in zoos during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The Central Zoo Authority has received several proposals for setting up of new zoos in the country during the last five years from various States, of which two are from Uttar Pradesh. The details of these proposals are at Annexure. Further, every zoo before opening requires the recognition of Central Zoo Authority and approval of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- (c) & (d) No constraints in setting up of the said zoos have been noticed at the level of the Central Government. However, the issue of constraints, if any, pertains to the concerned State/ Union Territory Government and is accordingly dealt with by them.
- (e) & (f) There are currently no animals housed in any of the zoological parks mentioned in the Annexure as these are not functional.