

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

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IMPACTS OF EMRS ON WILDLIFE

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

- (a) whether the Government has constituted an Expert Committee to study the possible Impacts of Communication Towers and Electro-magnetic Radiations (EMRs) on Wildlife including Birds and Bees in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Committee has submitted its recommendations to the Government;
- (d) if so, the findings thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to implement the recommendations of the committee?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Environment and Forests had constituted an 'Expert Committee to study the possible impacts of communication towers on wildlife including Birds and Bees' on 30th August 2010 under the chairmanship of Dr Asad Rahmani, Director, Bombay Natural History Society.

(c) to (e) The Expert Committee has submitted its report to the Ministry of Environment and Forests in September 2011. The Ministry is examining the report of the Committee in consultation with the concerned organizations.