

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3924
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PANNA TIGER RESERVE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of Tigers in 'Panna Tiger Reserve' have decreased due to nexus between Poachers and Forest Officials in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) As learnt from the State, evidence of nexus between poachers and forest officials in this regard has not been established.
- (b) & (c) Questions do not arise.