

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3966  
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SETTING UP OF BUSTARD SANCTUARIES  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up 'Great Indian Bustard' Sanctuaries in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for the same;
- (c) whether there have been resentments made by the people against the said project;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) There is one 'Great Indian Bustard Sanctuary' notified under Wild Life (Protection) act, 1972, which is situated in Ahmednagar and Solapur districts of Maharashtra. The Ministry of Environment and Forests has not received any proposal for creation of any new sanctuary for Great Indian Bustards in the State of Maharashtra.
- (b) to (e) Does not arise.