GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7311 ANSWERED ON:21.05.2012 NEW SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS Dhruvanarayana Shri R. ;Rao Shri Sambasiva Rayapati

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

- (a) whether new species of caecilian amphibians have been sighted in some States of the Country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The Statewise details are given in the following table.

State Species/Genus/Family Name

Karnataka Ichthyophis davidi

Goa Gegeneophis pareshi

Arunachal Pradesh, Herpele fuller/Chikila/ Chikilidae Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura

Kerala Gegeneophis primus