

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2532
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2012
PROTECTION TO RHINOS
Shetkar Shri Suresh Kumar;Siricilla Shri Rajaiah

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

- (a) whether the Indian Air Force has agreed to the request of State Government of Assam to provide a Chopper to airlift a Rhino which strayed from the flooded Pabitora Wildlife Sanctuary in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) No report has been received in this Ministry about any request made by the State Government of Assam to the Indian Air Force for providing a Chopper to airlift a Rhino which strayed from the flooded Pabitora Wildlife Sanctuary.
- (b) & (c) Does not arise.