

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3710  
ANSWERED ON:17.12.2012  
CONSERVATION OF WHITE LIONS  
Singh Shri Ganesh

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

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that the Supreme Court has made a mention of the desirability of having a favourable environment for rearing of white lions in the forest of Mod in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, whether the Ministry has noticed that large number of white lions roamed in the forests of Mukandpur and Bandhvgarh in Rewa area long time back;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has formulated any new strategy for protection of white lions;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the present number of white lions in the country so far in the Sanctuaries;
- (f) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for protection of white lions in Mod forest of Mukandpur, in Madhya Pradesh; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) There is no report with the Ministry that large number of white lions roamed in the forests of Mukandpur and Bandhvgarh in Rewa area long time back.
- (c) & (d) Does not arise.
- (e) There is no record of presence of white lions in wild in the country at present.
- (f) & (g) Presently no such scheme for protection of white lions has been formulated by the Government.