

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:930
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DECLINE IN NUMBERS OF WILD LIFE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of wildlife animals residing in the forest area situated along the Indo-Nepal borders;
- (b) whether the number of wildlife has declined in the forest area during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) The total number of wild animals residing in the forest area situated along the Indo-Nepal border has not been collated in the Ministry.
- (b)&(c) No authentic report has been received in this Ministry indicating a decline in the number of wildlife in the forest area during the last three years and the current year.
- (d) The Ministry provides financial and technical assistance to State/Union Territory Governments under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of `Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats`, `Project Elephant` and `Project Tiger` for protection and conservation of wildlife in the country.