

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

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

- (a) the State-wise total number of bird habitats in the country;
- (b) whether the Government provides funds/assistance to State Governments for proper maintenance and upkeep of bird habitats and conservation of rare birds species; and
- (c) if so, the details of funds provided to various State Governments during the last three years?

Answer

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

(a),(b)&(c) State-wise total number of bird sanctuaries in the country, as available in the Ministry, is given in the Annexure-I. The Ministry provides financial and technical assistance to the State/Union Territory Governments for the protection and conservation of the wildlife including rare birds species and their habitats under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats'.

Details of financial assistance provided to the State/ union Territory Governments by the Ministry for protection and conservation of Protected Areas including bird sanctuaries during the last three years under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats' is give in the Annexure -II.