GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6359 ANSWERED ON:06.05.2013 DECLINE NUMBER OF WILD ANIMALS Agarwal Shri Rajendra

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

(a) the total number of wild animals living in forest area situated along with Indo-Nepal border;

(b) whether the number of wild animals in the said forest area has declined during the last three years and the current year;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(d) the corrective 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 living 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.