

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

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

- (a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has sent any proposal to the Union Government for abolishing the buffer zone of Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve project and converting it into Sanctuary;
- (b) if so, the details of the said proposal;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government is formulating any action plan for resolving the problem of its effect on employment of a large number of people living in buffer zone of Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Project; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a) No Sir.

(b) & (c) Questions do not arise.

(d) & (e) Funding support is provided under the ongoing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger for tiger conservation in tiger reserves which, inter alia, includes deployment of local workforce and ecodevelopment activities in the peripheral/ buffer areas to support livelihood for eliciting local public support towards tiger conservation.