

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA**

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PROTECTION OF FORESTS AND WILDLIFE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to various States for protection of forests and wildlife;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal from Rajasthan for increasing the forest area and protection of wildlife in Arawali range; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) & (b) The Ministry under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Intensification of Forest Management Scheme and Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats provides financial assistance to the States and Union Territories for various activities related to management and protection of forests and wildlife. State-wise details of funds released to the State/UT Governments during the last three years under Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats and Intensification of Forest Management Scheme are given in the Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.

(c) & (d) A proposal has been received from the State Government of Rajasthan for central assistance for protection of wildlife and its habitats in Protected Areas in Arawali range during the current financial year under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme: Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats. Ministry has released the central assistance. Details of Central assistance provided to Protected Areas in Arawali range in Rajasthan during 2014-15 are given in Annexure -III.