

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

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ASIATIC LIONS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to grant necessary funds for conservation of Asiatic Lions in Gujarat State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of funds allocated in this regard; and
- (d) the time by which these funds are likely to be released?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) The Ministry has received a project proposal 'A plan for consolidating long term conservation of Asiatic lion' from the State Government of Gujarat with a total cost of Rs.150.00 crores. The state government has sought Central funding of Rs.135.00 crores and has proposed to share Rs. 15.00. The proposal has been examined by the Ministry. However, requisite funds are not available under the Centrally Sponsored scheme 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats'.