GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5605 ANSWERED ON:28.04.2015 NATIONAL PARKS Sonker Smt. Neelam

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

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals from various States including Uttar Pradesh for development of national parks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has released/proposes to release funds for the said purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a), (b), The Ministry invites proposals from various State Governments/ Union Territories including Uttar Pradesh seeking financial assistance for development and protection of wildlife and its habitats in Protected Areas (National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries) under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats". The assistance is provided subject to availability of funds and submission of details of utilization of funds released earlier by the States. Assistance is provided for various activities related to protection and conservation of wildlife in accordance with the management plans of the Protected Areas. Details of State/Union Territories from whom such proposals have been received during the last three years and the current year is given in the Annexure I.

(c)and (d) The details of financial assistance provided to various State Governments under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats" for development and protection of wildlife and its habitats in Protected Areas during the last three years is given in the Annexure II. No funds have been provided during the current financial year