

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

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of Veterinary Surgeons for protection and preservation of Wild Life;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) the action being taken in the matter?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Veterinary care is essential in case the wild animals are rescued after having been injured due to accidents or having been involved in human wildlife conflict. The services of the veterinary doctors of the State Animal Husbandry Departments and other such facilities are utilised to attend to such instances. Several States have veterinary experts in the forest departments for dealing with such circumstances. Normally all the zoos and rescue centers have veterinary experts posted.