GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6280 ANSWERED ON:05.05.2015 INITIATIVES OF WII UNDER CSR Raju Shri Gokaraju Ganga

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

(a) whether the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) has launched a scheme called Developing Partnership and Funding Conservation Initiatives under the Corporate Social Responsibility initiative;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any PSU has taken up the conservation and protection of endangered species in Andhra Pradesh, especially in Kolleru lake of West Godavari District, which is home for pelicans and habitat for many migratory birds;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the budgetary allocation for Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitat (IDWH) has been reduced to just Rs. 61.5 crore and

(f) if so, the reasons therefore indicating the funds released to the National Parks and Sanctuaries located in Andhra Pradesh under IDWH during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change organized a dialogue on Developing Partnership and Funding Conservation Initiatives under the Corporate Social Responsibility initiative (CSR) with the technical support of Wildlife Institute of India (WII). This dialogue aims to have effective implementation of conservation of identified terrestrial and marine species with active cooperation and financial support from Public Sector Undertakings (PSU).

(c) & (d) No proposal has been received from any PSU for taking up conservation and protection of endangered species in Andhra Pradesh.

(e) and (f) The allocation for Centrally Sponsored Scheme - `Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats ` has been reduced to rs. 61.21 crore for the year 2015-16 in expectation of change in funding pattern to bring in more State share. A total of Rs. 108.335 lakhs has been released to Andhra Pradesh during 2012-2013. No funds has been released during subsequent years.