

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

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Death of Black Bucks

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

- (a) whether the black bucks in Nandan forest are dying and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to conduct an inquiry in this regard; and
- (c) the steps/measures taken to protect the black bucks?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Madam. Death of 22 Black bucks occurred during the period May to July, 2015 in Nandan forest Zoo, Raipur. Details of Black bucks died during said period is annexed at Annexure- I.
- (b) Expert from the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Bareilly, as deputed by the Central Zoo Authority has conducted investigation on dead animals and in the report, the deaths are presumably due to Pyrethroid group of insecticides.
- (c) The Central Zoo Authority had directed the Nandan forest Zoo authorities to protect the Black bucks by vacating affected animal enclosures, change the source of feed & water and treat affected sick animals symptomatically.
