

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

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

- (a) the number of deers in the country state and sanctuary-wise including Taal Chhapar sanctuary in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether there has been an increase in the number of deaths of the deers due to non- availability of proper conservation scheme;
- (c) if so, the measures being taken by the Government to check the deaths of the deers;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any scheme at national level for deer conservation; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) The information regarding population of deer species are not available in the Ministry as the nationwide/sanctuary-wise census of deer population has not been undertaken in the country.

(b)&(c) No reports regarding increase in number of deaths of deer due to non-availability of proper conservation scheme have been received in the Ministry.

(d)&(e) The Ministry provides financial and technical assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats', Project Tiger and 'Project Elephant' to the State/Union Territory Governments for protection and conservation of wildlife including deer and their habitats. The Ministry also provides financial assistance to State Governments for undertaking "Recovery Programmes for saving critically endangered species" as a component of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats'. At present, sixteen species have been prioritized for taking up such recovery programmes which include Hangul and Manipur Brow-antlered deer. Financial assistance has been provided to the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir and Manipur for undertaking recovery programmes for Hangul and Manipur Brow-antlered deer respectively. The details of financial assistance released are as follows:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of States	
Year	Jammu & Manipur Kashmir
2008-09	99.00 -
2009-10	- 33.96
2010-11	89.62
2011-12	- -
2012-13	79.94 -
2013-14	- 27.82
Total	268.56 61.78

The financial assistance has been provided primarily for management planning, habitat improvement and protection etc.