

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3557

ANSWERED ON:08.08.2017

Zoo Safari

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

- (a) whether any proposal for diversion of 564 hectares of forest land for development of international standard Zoo Safari and Wildlife Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur is under consideration of the ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether compliance report in this regard has been submitted by the Nodal Officer, Maharashtra to the Ministry; and
- (d) if so, the time by which Stage-I clearances is likely to be given?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) , (b) ,(c) & (d) Proposal for diversion of 564 hectares of forest land for development of international standard Zoo Safari and Wildlife Rescue Centre at Gorewada, Nagpur was submitted to the ministry by Maharashtra on date 29.07.2016. In principle approval/ Stage -I Clearance has been given to the proposal on date 08.06.2017. Compliance report was furnished by Government of Maharashtra vide their letter dated 14.06.2017. Final/ Stage- II approval on the submission of compliance report by Government of Maharashtra has been given to the proposal by the Ministry on date 27.06.2017.
