

**Title: Need to include the proposal for a Tiger Project in Chandoli Wild Life Sanctuary in the Tenth Five Year Plan. – Laid.**

**\* SHRI SHRINIWAS DADASAHEB PATIL (KARAD) :** Chandoli Wild Life Sanctuary divides the low lying Konkan area and the Plains of western Maharashtra. The Sanctuary is surrounded by dense forest. Due to natural High Hill Barrier on western side and water bodies and dense forest on Eastern side of sanctuary the area is best suited for tiger project.

Wild life census made by Kolhapur Division office has shown presence of three tigers in the area. There is no human settlement in the forest. The then Minister of Environment, Shri T.R. Balu had assured to consider and include the proposal of tiger project in Chandoli Sanctuary in Tenth Five Year Plan.

I request the Government of India to please include Tiger Project in the Tenth Plan as assured by the then Minister of Environment and Forests.

**\* Treated as laid on the Table**