GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1922 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.12.2017

Effects of Climate Change on Wildlife

1922. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government acknowledges and recognizes the effects of climate change on India's wildlife;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any conservation actions in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) and (b) Yes Madam. The Government acknowledges and recognizes the effects of Climate Change on India's Wildlife. The National Wildlife Action Plan (2017-31), launched on 2nd October 2017, also includes a Chapter on 'Integrating Climate Change in Wildlife Planning' and has several priority projects under this Chapter with time lines.
- (c) and (d) Conservation actions by habitat improvement, soil moisture conservation, afforestation provided through Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitat Scheme in the National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Conservation Reserves and Community Reserves are a part of initiative of the Government in regard to Climate Change and its mitigation.
