

ESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, it is a statutory obligation for all industries to control their pollution within the prescribed standards. No fresh legislation is necessary in this regard.

[*Translation*]

**Preservation of Musk Deer**

6983. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a decrease in the number of musk deers during last two years;

(b) if so, the existing number thereof state-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to establish a musk deer sanctuary in any part of the country; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Musk deer occurs in the Himalayas in States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. State Government have not undertaken enumerations of Musk Deer. It is not possible to state that the population of Musk Deer has decreased during last two years.

(c) and (d). Responsibility of setting up of sanctuaries vests with the State Government. A list of national parks and sanctuaries where the musk deer is known to occur is given in the Statement below.

**STATEMENT**

*National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries where the Musk deer is known to occur*

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of the National Park/ Wildlife Sanctuary</i>	<i>State</i>
1	2	3
1.	Dachigaon Wildlife Sanctuary	Jammu & Kashmir
2.	Kishtwar National Park	Jammu & Kashmir
3.	Great Himalayan National Park	Himachal Pradesh
4.	Kanawar Wildlife Sanctuary	Himachal Pradesh
5.	Mehao Wildlife Sanctuary	Arunachal Pradesh
6.	Khangchendzonga National Park	Sikkim
7.	Nanda Devo National Park.	Uttar Pradesh
8.	Valley of Flowers National Park	Uttar Pradesh

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1	2	3
9.	Govind Pashu Vihar Wildlife Sanctuary	Uttar Pradesh
10.	Kedaranath Wildlife Sanctuary	Uttar Pradesh