

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5496
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2019

Death of Animals in Delhi Zoo

5496. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

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

- (a) whether the Delhi Zoo is losing its sheen as many of its enclosures have been lying empty following the death of several animals in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether popular animals like Giraffe, Zebra, Ostrich, King Cobra etc. have died in the recent past due to various reasons and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any corrective steps in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a) & (b) Only one enclosure of Giraffe is lying empty since 09.06.2015 at National Zoological Park after the death of last Giraffe due to Myocarditis and Kidney failure.
- (c) As per the information received from National Zoological Park, none of these animals died in the recent past.
- (d) Efforts to acquire Giraffe, Zebra and Ostrich are being explored. King Cobra is not in the animal collection plan of National Zoological Park.
