

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 26.07.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**ELEPHANTS CENSUS IN CORBETT NATIONAL PARK .**

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Smt. T. Ratna Bai

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether an elephant census is being undertaken in the Corbett National Park recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the present position thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken to undertake all the animals census in the country with some action plan to protect them for future generation in the Eleventh Five Year Plan?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (c) Corbett National Park forms part of the Shivalik Elephant Reserve of Uttarakhand. In June 2010, elephant census was done in the Shivalik Elephant Reserve. The State Forest Department has informed that during the census, 623 elephants were found in the Corbett Tiger Reserve.

(d) Census of only Elephants and Tiger are monitored and funded by the Central Government. Estimation of population of other animals like lion, rhino etc are being done by State /UT Governments. Government of India is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Schemes like Project Tiger, Project Elephant and Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats during the Eleventh Five Year Plan to protect the wild animals in the country.