

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3897
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2018

Cases of cruelty to animals

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

- (a) the number of cases registered under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 during the last three years;
- (b) the number of cases in which conviction was obtained under the Act during the last three years;
- (c) whether Government intends to take steps to enhance penalties under the Act for committing cruelty on animals which have remained unchanged for decades;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) The details of number of cases registered by Animal welfare Board of India under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 during the last three years is as under:-

S. No.	Year	Number of cases registered
1.	2014-15	155
2.	2015-16	228
3.	2016-17	256

- (b) Animal Welfare Board of India does not maintain this information.
- (c) & (d) The matter of enhancement of penalties under the Act for committing cruelty to animals is under consideration in the Ministry.
- (e) Question does not arise.

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