

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1822
TO BE ANSWERED ON. 16.03.2023

Setting up railway line through the southern boundary of Kaziranga National Park

1822. SHRI AJIT KUMAR BHUYAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve is one of the biggest animal habitat parks in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there are plans of setting up railway line through the southern boundary of Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve; and
- (c) if so, the details of the actual report of this project and the DPR along with the stand of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) and the Ministry on the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) No Sir. In terms of the geographical area, the Nagarjunsagar Srisailem Tiger Reserve of Andhra Pradesh which is spread over 3,296.31 sq. km., is the biggest tiger reserve in the country. The Kaziranga Tiger Reserve is having an area of 1,173.58 sq. km.
- (b) The Ministry has not received any proposal for setting up railway line through the southern boundary of Kaziranga Tiger Reserve.
- (c) Question does not arise.
