

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3900
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.04.2023

Number of Cheetahs in Gujarat

3900. SHRI SHAKTISINH GOHIL:

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

- (a) the number of Cheetahs brought from outside the country to the State of Gujarat, since 2001 till date, which were not for reintroduction purpose but for any other purpose;
- (b) the dates on which these Cheetahs were brought and the expenses incurred on them; and
- (c) the number of them alive today?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Acquisition of Cheetah species reported by recognized zoos in the State of Gujarat from outside the country since the financial year 2001-2002 till date is attached as Annexure.
- (b) Such information is not collated by the Ministry.
- (c) As per the information reported by recognized zoos, no individuals of South African Cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus ssp. jubatus*) is alive. The seven Northeast African Cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus soemmerringi*) are alive as on date.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.3900, due for reply on 06.04.2023 regarding 'Number of Cheetahs in Gujarat'

| Sl. | Financial Year | Common name | Scientific name | Acquired by zoo in Gujarat | Acquired from | Number acquired (M:F)* |
|-----|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------|
| 1 | 2001-2002 | | | Nil | | |
| 2 | 2002-2003 | | | | | |
| 3 | 2003-2004 | | | | | |
| 4 | 2004-2005 | | | | | |
| 5 | 2005-2006 | | | | | |
| 6 | 2006-2007 | | | | | |
| 7 | 2007-2008 | | | | | |
| 8 | 2008-2009 | South African Cheetah | <i>Acinonyx jubatus ssp. jubatus</i> | Sakkarbaug Zoo, Junagadh | Singapore Zoo, Singapore | 2:2 |
| 9 | 2009-2010 | | | Nil | | |
| 10 | 2010-2011 | | | | | |
| 11 | 2011-2012 | | | | | |
| 12 | 2012-2013 | | | | | |
| 13 | 2013-2014 | | | | | |
| 14 | 2014-2015 | | | | | |
| 15 | 2015-2016 | | | | | |
| 16 | 2016-2017 | | | | | |
| 17 | 2017-2018 | | | | | |
| 18 | 2018-2019 | | | | | |
| 19 | 2019-2020 | | | | | |
| 20 | 2020-2021 | | | | | |
| 21 | 2021-2022 | | | | | |
| 22 | 2022-2023 (till 27.03.2023) | Northeast African Cheetah | <i>Acinonyx jubatus soemmerringi</i> | Greens Zoological Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, Jamnagar | The Kangaroo Animals Shelter Center, Al Ain City, Abu Dhabi, UAE | 4:3 |

(M:F)* = Male : Female
