

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1658
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2023

Great Indian Bustards in the country

1658. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI:

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

- (a) whether Government feels that it would be possible to raise the number of the Great Indian Bustards (GIBs) in India from existing four, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that at present all the four surviving GIBs are females;
- (c) the details of the GIB breeding plan envisaged by Government; and
- (d) whether the State Governments concerned, particularly Gujarat and Rajasthan, have separate plans for breeding of GIBs or they would jointly work with the Central Government, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) and (b) As per the information available with the Ministry, the total number of Great Indian Bustard in the country is about 150.
- (c) and (d) A Conservation Breeding Centre for Great Indian Bustard has been established at Ramdeora of Rajasthan as well as a satellite conservation breeding Centre with the facility of incubator, hatcher, chick rearing and housing for captive birds has been set up in Sam of Jaisalmer District of Rajasthan.
