

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 367
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2024

Cases of attacks by wild animals

367. SHRI A. A. RAHIM:

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

- (a) the number of cases of attacks by wild animals that have been reported in the last five years;
- (b) the number of people who were injured and died therein;
- (c) whether there is any master plan to protect people from attacks by wild animal; and
- (d) the funds allocated to build fencing and other protective infrastructure for wildlife, during the last five years, State-wise and year-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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- (a) and (b) Protection and management of wildlife is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/UT Administrations. The data regarding the number of cases of attacks by wild animals are collated at the state level. The details of human deaths as reported by States in the last five years due to attacks by tigers and elephants are at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II**.
- (c) The Ministry has issued advisories and guidelines to States/UTs to deal with human wildlife conflict situations as follows:
 - i) Advisory to deal with the cases of human-wildlife conflict on 06.02.2021
 - ii) Guidelines on managing human-wildlife conflict including damage to crops on 03.06.2022.
 - iii) Species specific guidelines for mitigation of conflicts arising from various wild animals namely Elephant, Gaur, Leopard, Snake, Crocodile, Rhesus Macaque, Wild Pig, Bear, Blue Bull and Blackbuck on 21.03.2023
 - iv) Guidelines for cross cutting issues such as cooperation between the forest and media sector; occupational health and safety in the context of human-wildlife conflict mitigation; crowd management in human-wildlife conflict related situations and addressing health emergencies and potential health risks arising out of human-wildlife conflict situations on 21.03.2023.

- (d) The Ministry provides financial assistance to States/UTs for conservation of wildlife and its habitats under the Centrally Sponsored schemes – ‘Development of Wildlife Habitats’ and ‘Project Tiger and Elephant’. The activities supported under the schemes include construction/erection of physical barrier such as solar powered electric fence, bio-fencing using cactus, boundary walls etc and other protective infrastructure for wildlife depending upon the field conditions. The details of funds released to State/ UT Governments under CSS- ‘Development of Wildlife Habitats’ and ‘Project Tiger and Elephant’ during last five years are provided as **Annexure-III** and **Annexure IV** respectively.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) and (b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 367 due for reply on 25.07.2024 regarding 'Cases of attacks by wild animals'

Number of Human Deaths caused by the Tiger Attack

S. No.	State	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	NR
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	NR
3	Assam	0	0	0	0	NR
4	Bihar	0	1	4	9	NR
5	Chhattisgarh	0	0	0	0	3
6	Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	NR
7	Karnataka	4	0	1	1	8
8	Madhya Pradesh	1	11	2	3	10
9	Maharashtra	26	25	32	82	35
10	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	NR
11	Orissa	0	0	0	0	NR
12	Rajasthan	5	0	0	0	NR
13	Tamil Nadu	0	1	3	0	1
14	Telangana	0	2	0	0	NR
15	Uttar Pradesh	8	4	11	11	25
16	Uttarakhand	2	0	1	3	NR
17	West Bengal	3	5	5	1	NR
TOTAL		49	49	59	110	82

***NR- Information not received from State.**

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) and (b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 367 due for reply on 25.07.2024 regarding ‘Cases of attacks by wild animals’

Number of Human Deaths caused by elephant

S.No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	Andhra Pradesh	4	6	NR	5	6
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	2	0	0
3	Assam	75	91	63	80	74
4	Chhattisgarh	77	42	64	69	51
5	Jharkhand	84	74	133	96	87
6	Karnataka	30	26	27	29	48
7	Kerala	13	27	35	27	22
8	Maharashtra	1	NR	0	2	5
9	Meghalaya	4	6	3	3	7
10	Nagaland	0	0	2	1	1
11	Odisha	117	93	112	148	154
12	Tamil Nadu	58	57	37	43	61
13	Tripura	2	1	2	2	1
14	Uttar Pradesh	6	1	0	4	4
15	Uttarakhand	NR	NR	NR	4	8
16	West Bengal	116	47	77	97	99
Total		587	471	557	610	628

* NR- Information not received from State.

* Data also include human deaths outside Forest Area.

Annexure-III

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 367 due for reply on 25.07.2024 regarding ‘Cases of attacks by wild animals’

Details of funds released to State/ UT Governments under CSS-‘Development of Wildlife Habitats’ during last five years. **(₹. in lakhs)**

S.No.	Name of States/UTs	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	A& N Islands	132.64	0	135.77	25.125	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
3	Arunachal Pradesh	512.69	312.5865	419.80617	276.44062	672.462
4	Assam	164.26	0	0	209.1464	565.10763
5	Bihar	148.142	205.1644	410.85952	0	336.37223
6	Chandigarh	0	25.16	0	21.6241	16.498
7	Chhattisgarh	310.0318	104.35936	274.5903	104.457	116.24868
8	Goa	111.654	0	0	0	50.10
9	Gujarat	0	124.5849	0	200.01	206.99
10	Haryana	237.6078	18.2212	127.331	30.1575	167.85
11	Himachal Pradesh	375.76554	187.63518	197.09452	114.3205	94.15328
12	Jammu & Kashmir	0	80.62863	0	0	69.57972
13	Jharkhand	93.96	198.2265	79.53315	0	14.91025
14	Karnataka	739.046	586.12634	1256.59314	291.71146	581.52346
15	Kerala	845.026	731.2845	295.7737	224.4735	921.0361
16	Madhya Pradesh	629.266	801.60127	389.34906	265.5508	471.81959
17	Maharashtra	715.781	146.08	0	350.3879	554.69645
18	Manipur	396.455	241.12	142.50646	180.64379	231.72407
19	Meghalaya	238.839	263.507	530.51253	0	243.56611
20	Mizoram	431.79	339.60855	198.9678	190.1977	304.207
21	Nagaland	953.69	260.00105	342.0315	725.6565	1306.3275
22	Odisha	701.504	697.50	726.80273	967.4976	612.81161
23	Rajasthan	741.315	309.12634	1007.64845	86.78886	0
24	Sikkim	557.355	349.623	182.97174	239.66048	187.03237
25	Tamil Nadu	409.505	334.0354	390.75715	132.95205	373.8902
26	Telangana	0	36.59304	0	0	0
27	Uttar Pradesh	426.251	312.9244	169.06261	266.7472	290.64425
28	Uttarakhand	1401.19	441.61031	226.34415	212.9662	498.497
29	West Bengal	891.073	710.61953	757.25599	201.30866	385.29988
30	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	5.22
31	Lakshadweep	193.272	462.409	462.086	269.9055	124.655
32	Delhi	0	0	0	0	0
33	Tripura	90.317	260.679	0	0	186.05514
34	Ladakh UT	0	223.17292	31.95	61.11591	0.06
	GrandTotal	12448.42614	8764.18832	8755.59767	5648.84523	9589.33752

Annexure-IV

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question no. 367 due for reply on 25.07.2024 regarding 'Cases of attacks by wild animals'

Details of funds released to State/ UT Governments under CSS-'Project Tiger and Elephant' during last five years. **(₹. in lakhs)**

Sl. No.	State	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		*Project Tiger & Elephant
		Project Tiger	Project Elephant	Project Tiger	Project Elephant	Project Tiger	Project Elephant	Project Tiger	Project Elephant	
1	Andhra Pradesh	114.48	127.03	266.51	77.28	292.11	20.5565	0.00	0.00	149.421
2	Arunachal Pradesh	846.31	103.26831	803.76	282.256	869.08	157.7615	0.00	26.8875	1119.9145
3	Assam	2198.76	-	2513.90	35.284	1476.75	126.716	336.22	167.4	2619.30784
4	Bihar	562.84	57.02752	628.89	39.08	552.72	-	0.00	0.00	308.9825
5	Chhattisgarh	358.53	-	471.16	-	355.85	24.785	82.88	0.00	292.855
6	Haryana	0.00	16.80	0.00	11.04	0.00	4.2345	0.00	17.4	26.1
7	Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.61
8	Jharkhand	1432.07	161.44438	128.45	111.86522	195.06	86.682	17.26	78.05	405.785
9	Karnataka	2252.03	412.48239	2118.01	330.40376	2956.70	261.195	235.24	97.8453	2613.0834
10	Kerala	607.07	432.132	402.88	574.56	868.78	580.96765	0.00	270.09	996.22425
11	Madhya Pradesh	3501.91	13.695	2551.26	-	3523.52	12.613	1172.51	11.388	4303.794
12	Maharashtra	7220.39	44.1944	3098.03	17.98	2991.06	-	0.00	28.524	2614.45167
13	Manipur	0.00	10.944	0.00	-	0.00	5.40	0.00	0.00	14.121
14	Meghalaya	0.00	177.8976	0.00	9.36	0.00	141.75	0.00	32.14	65.25
15	Mizoram	337.70	-	161.53	-	374.13	-	0.00	0.00	144
16	Nagaland	0.00	213.9498	0.00	92.50	0.00	279.759	0.00	235.575	337.77
17	Odisha	1303.32	387.036	680.07	577.99	1056.86	567.045	190.27	212.7695	1012.58764
18	Rajasthan	1203.19	35.28	1008.89	-	841.05	15.18	0.00	6.18609	968.3004
19	Tamil Nadu	1586.91	275.1576	1336.14	-	1576.22	181.8464	0.00	85.9405	2547.96648
20	Telangana	359.91	-	351.97	-	543.26	-	0.00	0	323.308
21	Tripura	0.00	45.38	0.00	24.71	-	-	0.00	7.36516	27.0855
22	Uttarakhand	1242.49	417.312	1671.30	204.85	1463.71	244.12375	0.00	18.7415	1495.5241
23	Uttar Pradesh	2289.18	37.74	923.29	-	1304.85	45.993	0.00	9.858	1031.9767
24	West Bengal	758.47	113.254	333.96	64.1958	708.28	87.8717	0.00	30.05	522.58101
		28175.56	3082.025	19450.00	2453.355	21949.99	2844.48	2034.38	1336.211	23960

*Centrally Sponsored Scheme Project Elephant and Centrally Sponsored Scheme Project Tiger have been merged and now known as Centrally Sponsored Scheme Project Tiger & Elephant