

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 52**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.01.2026

**Import of wildlife**

52. SHRI SAMIRUL ISLAM:

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

- (a) the number of wildlife imported into India during the last five years, species-wise and country-wise;
- (b) the names and details of facilities where these animals are housed currently; and
- (c) the survival rates of such imported wildlife, species-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
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(a) to (c) Import of wild animals is regulated in accordance to provisions of Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of wild fauna and flora (CITES). As per the information available in the Ministry, the species-wise and country-wise details of animals imported into India during last five years and the facilities where these animals are housed, is at **Annexure**.

The survival rates of species, including imported animals, depends on various factors including its biology, ecology, housing and upkeep facilities, health care, etc. Such data are not collated at the level of the Ministry.

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**Annexure**

**Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) in respect of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred question No. 52 for reply on 29.01.2026 regarding 'Import of wildlife' raised by Shri Samirul Islam.**

Details of animals imported into India during last five years and the facilities where these animals are housed

Sl.No.	Year	Species	Quantity (M:F)	Country of export	Facility where the animals are housed
1.	2021	Chimpanzee ( <i>Pan troglodytes</i> )	0:1	Malaysia	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
2.	2021	Western lowland gorilla ( <i>Gorilla gorilla gorilla</i> )	2:0	Germany	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
3.	2021	Bornean orang-utan ( <i>Pongo pygmaeus</i> )	1:1	Malaysia	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
4.	2021	Bornean orang-utan ( <i>Pongo pygmaeus</i> )	1:1	Singapore	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
5.	2022	African hunting cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	0:1	South Africa	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
6.	2022	White Winged Wood Duck ( <i>Ascornisscutalata</i> )	2:2	Czech Republic	Assam State Zoo cum Botanical Garden
7.	2022	Siberian Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigrisaltica</i> )	1:1	Cyprus	Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park
8.	2022	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	08	Namibia	National Park, Madhya Pradesh
9.	2022	Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	13	Mexico	GZRRC
10.	2022	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	71	Mexico	GZRRC
11.	2022	Bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	24	Mexico	GZRRC
12.	2022	Lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	75	Mexico	GZRRC
13.	2023	Male Western lowland gorilla ( <i>Gorilla gorilla gorilla</i> )	1:0	Germany	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
14.	2023	Female Western lowland gorilla ( <i>Gorilla gorilla gorilla</i> )	0:1	Netherlands	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
15.	2023	Female Western lowland gorilla ( <i>Gorilla gorilla gorilla</i> )	0:1	UK	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru

16.	2023	Jaguar ( <i>Panther aonca</i> )	1:2	South Africa	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
17.	2023	Red Panda( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	1:0	Netherlands	Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park
18.	2023	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	2:0	Netherlands	Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park
19.	2023	Common Hill Myna ( <i>Gracula religiosa</i> )	2:2	Czech Republic	Assam State Zoo cum Botanical Garden
20.	2023	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	12	Namibia	National Park, Madhya Pradesh
21.	2023	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	8	UAE	GZRRC
22.	2023	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	62	South Africa	GZRRC
23.	2023	Wolf ( <i>Canis lupus</i> )	6	South Africa	GZRRC
24.	2023	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	10	South Africa	GZRRC
25.	2023	Lynx lynx ( <i>Carparthian Lynx</i> )	1	Germany	GZRRC
26.	2023	Clouded Leopard ( <i>Neofelis nebulosa</i> )	4	Germany	GZRRC
27.	2023	Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	5	UAE	GZRRC
28.	2023	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	3	UAE	GZRRC
29.	2023	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	49	Argentina	GZRRC
30.	2023	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	20	South Africa	GZRRC
31.	2023	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	9	Slovakia	GZRRC
32.	2023	One Horned Rhino ( <i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
33.	2023	Asian Black Bear ( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	2	South Africa	GZRRC
34.	2023	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	12	South Africa	GZRRC
35.	2023	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	6	UAE	GZRRC
36.	2023	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	30	South Africa	GZRRC
37.	2023	Wildcat ( <i>Felis silvestris</i> )	4	UAE	GZRRC
38.	2023	Lynx lynx ( <i>Carparthian Lynx</i> )	7	UAE	GZRRC
39.	2023	Lynx lynx ( <i>Carparthian Lynx</i> )	5	South Africa	GZRRC
40.	2023	Lynx lynx ( <i>Carparthian Lynx</i> )	2	Germany	GZRRC
41.	2023	Lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	2	Slovakia	GZRRC
42.	2023	Lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	20	South Africa	GZRRC
43.	2023	Lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	16	UAE	GZRRC
44.	2023	King cobra( <i>Ophiophagus hannah</i> )	2	Austria	GZRRC

45.	2023	Indian python( <i>Python molurus</i> )	20	UAE	GZRRC
46.	2023	Reticulated python( <i>Python reticulatus</i> )	50	UAE	GZRRC
47.	2023	Bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	3	UAE	GZRRC
48.	2023	Bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	8	Armenia	GZRRC
49.	2024	Male Jaguar ( <i>Panthera onca</i> )	1:0	South Africa	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
50.	2024	Female African Hunting Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	0:1	South Africa	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
51.	2024	Female Jaguar ( <i>Panthera onca</i> )	0:2	South Africa	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
52.	2024	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	2:0	Netherlands	Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park
53.	2024	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	23	South Africa	GZRRC
54.	2024	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	11	UAE	GZRRC
55.	2024	Small Clawed Otter ( <i>Aonyx cinereus</i> )	2	Indonesia	GZRRC
56.	2024	Great Hornbill ( <i>Buceros bicornis</i> )	8	UAE	GZRRC
57.	2024	Nicobar Pigeon ( <i>Caloenas nicobarica</i> )	74	UAE	GZRRC
58.	2024	Asian Golden Cat, Golden Cat, Temminck's Cat ( <i>Catopuma temminckii</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
59.	2024	Asian Golden Cat, Golden Cat, Temminck's Cat ( <i>Catopuma temminckii</i> )	2	Indonesia	GZRRC
60.	2024	Sun Bear ( <i>Helarctos malayanus</i> )	2	Indonesia	GZRRC
61.	2024	Clouded leopard( <i>Neofelis nebulosa</i> )	3	UAE	GZRRC
62.	2024	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	9	UAE	GZRRC
63.	2024	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	1	France	GZRRC
64.	2024	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	2	Germany	GZRRC
65.	2024	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	1	South Africa	GZRRC
66.	2024	Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	2	South Africa	GZRRC
67.	2024	Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
68.	2024	Snow Leopard ( <i>Panthera uncia</i> )	2	Germany	GZRRC
69.	2024	Marbled Cat ( <i>Pardofelis marmorata</i> )	4	Indonesia	GZRRC

70.	2024	One Horned Rhino ( <i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
71.	2024	Asian Black Bear ( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	5	UAE	GZRRC
72.	2024	Binturong ( <i>Artictis binturong</i> )	10	Indonesia	GZRRC
73.	2024	Binturong( <i>Artictis binturong</i> )	6	UAE	GZRRC
74.	2024	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	20	UAE	GZRRC
75.	2024	Wolf ( <i>Canis lupus</i> )	6	UAE	GZRRC
76.	2024	Wolf ( <i>Canis lupus</i> )	8	Czech Republic	GZRRC
77.	2024	Wolf ( <i>Canis lupus</i> )	10	Syria	GZRRC
78.	2024	Caracal ( <i>Caracal caracal</i> )	10	Czech Republic	GZRRC
79.	2024	Jungle cat ( <i>Felis chaus</i> )	6	UAE	GZRRC
80.	2024	Lynx lynx ( <i>Carparthian lynx</i> )	5	UAE	GZRRC
81.	2024	Lion ( <i>Panthera leo</i> )	52	UAE	GZRRC
82.	2024	Reticulated python( <i>Malayopython reticulatus</i> )	100	UAE	GZRRC
83.	2024	King cobra( <i>Ophiophagus hannah</i> )	20	UAE	GZRRC
84.	2024	King cobra( <i>Ophiophagus hannah</i> )	2	Indonesia	GZRRC
85.	2024	Reticulated python( <i>Malayopython reticulatus</i> )	814	USA	GZRRC
86.	2024	Alexandrine parakeet( <i>Psittacula eupatria</i> )	50	UAE	GZRRC
87.	2024	Alexandrine parakeet( <i>Psittacula eupatria</i> )	45	South Africa	GZRRC
88.	2024	Plum-headed parakeet( <i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i> )	112	South Africa	GZRRC
89.	2024	Red-breasted parakeet ( <i>Psittacula alexandri</i> )	16	South Africa	GZRRC
90.	2024	Lord Derby's parakeet( <i>Psittacula derbiana</i> )	20	South Africa	GZRRC
91.	2024	Indian python( <i>Python molurus</i> )	15	Austria	GZRRC
92.	2024	Reticulated python( <i>Python reticulatus</i> )	7	Austria	GZRRC
93.	2024	Burmese python( <i>Python molurus bivittatus</i> )	18	Austria	GZRRC
94.	2024	Grizzled giant squirrel( <i>Ratufa macroura</i> )	2	Austria	GZRRC
95.	2024	Asian water monitor ( <i>Varanus salvator</i> )	55	Austria	GZRRC

96.	2024	Asian water monitor ( <i>Varanus salvator</i> )	45	Indonesia	GZRRC
97.	2025	Female Western lowland gorilla ( <i>Gorilla gorilla gorilla</i> )	0:2	United Kingdom	Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden, Mysuru
98.	2025	(Jaguar) ( <i>Panthera onca</i> )	2:2	South Africa	Bannerghatta Biological Park, Karnataka
99.	2025	Cheetah( <i>Acynonyx jubatus</i> )	2:2	South Africa	Bannerghatta Biological Park, Karnataka
100.	2025	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	17	UAE	GZRRC
101.	2025	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	14	Mozambique	GZRRC
102.	2025	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	39	South Africa	GZRRC
103.	2025	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	3	Iraq	GZRRC
104.	2025	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	2	Cyprus	GZRRC
105.	2025	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	2	Indonesia	GZRRC
106.	2025	Small Clawed Otter ( <i>Aonyx cinereus</i> )	10	Indonesia	GZRRC
107.	2025	Small Clawed Otter ( <i>Aonyx cinereus</i> )	50	Czech Republic	GZRRC
108.	2025	Asian Golden Cat, Golden Cat, Temminck's Cat ( <i>Catopuma temminckii</i> )	20	Indonesia	GZRRC
109.	2025	Saltwater Crocodile ( <i>Crocodylus porosus</i> )	2	Denmark	GZRRC
110.	2025	Sun Bear ( <i>Helarctos malayanus</i> )	20		GZRRC
111.	2025	Peregrine Falcon ( <i>Falco peregrinus</i> )	8	United Kingdom	GZRRC
112.	2025	Bengal Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris tigris</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
113.	2025	Sumantran Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris sondaica</i> )	2	United Kingdom	GZRRC
114.	2025	Snow Leopard( <i>Panthera uncia</i> )	1	United Kingdom	GZRRC
115.	2025	Leopard( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
116.	2025	Bengal Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	1	South Africa	GZRRC
117.	2025	Leopard( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	1	South Africa	GZRRC
118.	2025	Marble Cat( <i>Pardofelis marmorata</i> )	6	Indonesia	GZRRC
119.	2025	Urrial( <i>Ovis vignei</i> )	10	UAE	GZRRC
120.	2025	Bengal Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC

121.	2025	Siberian Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris altaica</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
122.	2025	Siberian Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris altaica</i> )	9	Thailand	GZRRC
123.	2025	Leopard( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	8	South Africa	GZRRC
124.	2025	Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	30	South Africa	GZRRC
125.	2025	Siberian Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris altaica</i> )	5	Armenia	GZRRC
126.	2025	Ladakh Urial, Urial ( <i>Ovis ariesvignei</i> )	20	UAE	GZRRC
127.	2025	Bengal Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris tigris</i> )	3	UAE	GZRRC
128.	2025	Leopard( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
129.	2025	Marbled Cat( <i>Pardofelis marmorata</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
130.	2025	Siberian Tiger( <i>Panthera tigris altaica</i> )	5	Armenia	GZRRC
131.	2025	Snow Leopard( <i>Panthera uncia</i> )	1	Czech Republic	GZRRC
132.	2025	Asiatic Black Bear( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	2	UAE	GZRRC
133.	2025	Ursus thibetanus( <i>Asiatic Black Bear</i> )	6	UAE	GZRRC
134.	2025	Asian Black Bear( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	2	Qatar	GZRRC
135.	2025	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	16	South Africa	GZRRC
136.	2025	Asian black bear( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	2	South Africa	GZRRC
137.	2025	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	11	Mexico	GZRRC
138.	2025	Sun Bear ( <i>Helarctos malayanus</i> )	10	Indonesia	GZRRC
139.	2025	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	15	UAE	GZRRC
140.	2025	Small Clawed Otter ( <i>Aonyx cinereus</i> )	5	UAE	GZRRC
141.	2025	Bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	6	Syria	GZRRC
142.	2025	Asian Golden Cat, Golden Cat, Temminck's Cat ( <i>Catopuma temminckii</i> )	30	Syria	GZRRC
143.	2025	Red Panda ( <i>Ailurus fulgens</i> )	3	Mozambique	GZRRC
144.	2025	Wolf( <i>Canis lupus</i> )	4	Czech Republic	GZRRC
145.	2025	Binturong( <i>Arctictis binturong</i> )	15	Indonesia	GZRRC
146.	2025	Brown bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	3	UAE	GZRRC
147.	2025	Brown bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
148.	2025	Brown bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC

149.	2025	Brown bear ( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
150.	2025	Brown bear( <i>Ursus arctos</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
151.	2025	Wildcat ( <i>Felis silvestris</i> )	4	UAE	GZRRC
152.	2025	Eurasian lynx ( <i>Lynx lynx</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
153.	2025	Eurasian lynx ( <i>Lynx lynx</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
154.	2025	Eurasian lynx ( <i>Lynx lynx</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
155.	2025	Eurasian lynx( <i>Lynx lynx</i> )	1	UAE	GZRRC
156.	2025	Jungle cat ( <i>Felis chaus</i> )	4	Syria	GZRRC
157.	2025	Peregrine falcon ( <i>Falco peregrinus</i> )	8	United Kingdom	GZRRC
158.	2025	Sun Bear ( <i>Helactos malayanus</i> )	3	Malaysia	GZRRC
159.	2025	Asian Black Bear ( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	1	Kazakhstan	GZRRC
160.	2025	Indian python( <i>Python molurus</i> )	1	Austria	GZRRC
161.	2025	Asian Black Bear ( <i>Ursus thibetanus</i> )	4	Syria	GZRRC
162.	2025	Bengal Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris tigris</i> )	20	South Africa	GZRRC
163.	2025	Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> )	11	South Africa	GZRRC
164.	2025	Bengal Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris tigris</i> )	15	South Africa	GZRRC
165.	2025	Clouded leopard ( <i>Neofelis nebulosa</i> )	2	South Africa	GZRRC
166.	2025	Clouded leopard ( <i>Neofelis nebulosa</i> )	2	Portugal	GZRRC
167.	2025	Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )	11	Mexico	GZRRC
168.	2025	Cheetah ( <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> )	17	UAE	GZRRC
169.	2025	Rusty spotted Cat ( <i>Prionailurus rubiginosus</i> ),	02	Russia	GZRRC
170.	2025	Yellow throated marten ( <i>Martes flavigula</i> )	04	Russia	
171.	2025	Polar Wolf( <i>Canis lupus arctos</i> )	09	Russia	
172.	2025	Alaskan Wolf ( <i>Canis lupus pambasileus</i> )	04	Russia	
173.	2025	Tayra ( <i>Eira Barbara</i> )	02	Russia	
174.	2025	European polecat ( <i>Mustela putorius putorius</i> )	07	Russia	
175.	2025	Arctic fox( <i>Vulpes lagopus</i> )	05	Russia	

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