GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6210
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.04.2017

Digital Database of Endangered Tigers

6210. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

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

(a)   whether the Ministry has any proposal for creating digital database of Tigers in the country and if so, the details thereof;
(b)   if not, the reasons therefor; and
(c)   the details of time limit and plan outlay for completion of the aforesaid project, if any?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIORNMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a)   The National Tiger Conservation Authority devised a detailed protocol for establishing a National Repository of Camera Trap Photographs of Tigers (NRCTPT) in the year 2011, through a committee comprising of, *inter alia*, experts and scientists. The said protocol has provision for providing an ID to each individual tiger. Action for building up the NRCTPT got initiated with 635 camera trap photographs of individual tigers collected during 2010 country level status assessment of tigers. At present, there are 2175 camera trap photographs of individual tigers in the country.

(b)   Question does not arise.

(c)   It is an ongoing process. During each All India Tiger Estimation exercise, done once in four years, camera trap photographs of individual tigers are collected and added to the said repository.

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