

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1191
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2018

Tiger Protection Force

1191. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

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

- (a) the number of Tiger Reserves where special tiger protection forest has been constituted;
- (b) whether there has been any decrease in killing of tigers from 2008 to 2014 after constitution of the said force; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) The Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) has been constituted in eight tiger reserves.
- (b) & (c) Owing to stringent protection regime because of raising, arming and deployment of the said force, more cases have been detected. A total of 12 cases have been detected as reported by States concerned, since deployment of the said force in different tiger reserves. Whereas in eight tiger reserves where STPF has been constituted so far, more cases have been detected in four (4) tiger reserves, status quo has been noticed in one (1) tiger reserve and it has decreased in two tiger reserves. In one tiger reserve, i.e. Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam, recruitment process of STPF personnel has been initiated in the year 2017-18, hence no inference can be drawn.
