

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1740
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2018

Tiger Conservation

1740. SHRI BODHSINGH BHAGAT:
SHRI GANESH SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has implemented any special scheme for tiger conservation in the country during current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and funds being provided to Madhya Pradesh under this scheme;
- (c) whether the State Governments need more funds for tiger conservation project and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the efforts made by the Government to enhance the amount of funds for tiger conservation project as per the needs of States?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Government of India is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger since 1973, which is ongoing.
- (b) The said project is operational in 50 tiger reserves across 18 tiger range States *inter alia* including the State of Madhya Pradesh also. Details of financial assistance provided to the State of Madhya Pradesh under the said scheme is as follows:

Year	Amount released (Rs. in lakhs)
2014-15	4335.1182
2015-16	1421.00700
2016-17	12885.59790
2017-18	11455.457
2018-19 (as on 24.07.2018)	1413.264

- (c) & (d) The States express their requirement for financial assistance through an Annual Plan of Operation (APO) which solicits activities based on a legally mandated Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP). The Government of India increased financial assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger from Rs. 185.02 crores in 2014-15 to Rs. 350.00 crores in 2018-19.
