

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2948
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2018

Menace of Monkeys and Dogs

2948. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

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

- (a) whether efforts made to prevent the menace of monkeys and dogs in Delhi have been unsuccessful and their terror is increasing day by day, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether small children in several States have been gnawed at and killed by dogs, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to control the above said terror in Delhi?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Department of Forests and Wildlife, Government of NCT of Delhi and all Civic agencies are doing their best to reduce the menace of monkeys and dogs in the city.
- (b) This Ministry does not maintain such record.
- (c) and (d) This Ministry has issued guidelines/ advisories dated 24.12.2014 and 01.06.2015 in the context of human-wildlife conflict to the Chief Wildlife Wardens of all the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations. Further, the Ministry has approved a pilot project on immuno-contraception for controlling the population of wild animals responsible for damage and destruction of crops, namely elephant, wild boar, monkey and nilgai. Under the CSS 'Development of Wildlife Habitat' an amount of Rs. 542.97 lakhs has been released to NCT Delhi during current financial year for mitigation of human-animals (monkey) conflict.

This Ministry has formulated the Animal Birth control (Dogs) Rules, 2001 under which responsibility for controlling the street dog population has been given to respective local bodies who shall sterilise and immunise the street dogs to control their population and prevent the incidence of rabies through animal welfare organizations, private individuals and the local authority.
