GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3247 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.07.2019

Death of Wild Animals

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of death of wild animals including lions due to recent excessive rains and floods in some areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the total number of such death of animals reported, State and Species-wise;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether some wild animals including lions have escaped from forests/wild animal reserves including Gir forest and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to save animals from the dangers of such natural disasters?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) to (e) Management of Wildlife and its habitat is the responsibility of the concerned State/ UT Government. The details of species- wise deaths of wild animals are not compiled at the level of Central Government. As informed by the State Government of Gujarat, no Lions deaths/ escape of wild animals has been reported in Gujarat due to recent excessive rains and floods.

The Management Plan prepared by the States for its Protected Areas does consider management interventions in case of natural disasters like floods, forest fires, heat waves, earthquakes etc. and actions are taken by its respective State Forest Department to minimize impact of the natural disasters on its wildlife.
