

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2057
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2023

Review of Elephant Corridors

2057. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to update and review/redraw elephant corridors across the country;
- (b) if so, the manner in which this will help in better protection of elephants and improve genetic diversity in the area;
- (c) whether the Government has held any discussion with the State Governments in this regard and if so, the response of the State Governments in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government in cooperation with the various State Governments has verified the old corridor and also identified any new corridors of elephants by tracking their movement and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether total number of deaths of human beings and elephants have shown a decline in 2021-22 as compared to previous years and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the number of human beings and elephants died in the country due to human-animal conflict, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a)to(d) The Ministry, in coordination with the State Forest Departments, has initiated the process for ground truthing of Elephant corridors in India, so as to create a better connectivity between the different landscape and elephants herds for maintaining genetic diversity.
- (e)&(f) The State-wise details of human casualties due to wild elephant attack and elephant casualties due to unnatural causes like train accident, electrocution, poaching and poisoning during the last three years, as per the information received from States, are enclosed as Annexure –I and Annexure –II respectively.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) & (f) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2057 RAISED BY SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV: SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK: SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: REGARDING 'REVIEW OF ELEPHANT CORRIDORS" DUE FOR REPLY ON 13.03.2023.

Human casualties due to elephant attack during the last three years

S.No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	4	6	NR
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	2
3	Assam	75	91	63
4	Chhattisgarh	77	42	64
5	Jharkhand	84	74	133
6	Karnataka	29	23	17
7	Kerala	12	20	25
8	Maharashtra	1	NR	0
9	Meghalaya	4	6	3
10	Nagaland	0	0	0
11	Odisha	117	93	112
12	Tamil Nadu	58	57	37
13	Tripura	2	1	2
14	Uttar Pradesh	6	1	0
15	Uttarakhand	NR	NR	NR
16	West Bengal	116	47	77
Total		585	461	535

*NR- Information not received from States.

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Elephant Casualties due to Train Accidents during the last three years

S.No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Assam	2	5	8
2	West Bengal	5	0	0
3	Tamil Nadu	0	1	3
4	Jharkhand	1	1	0
5	Kerala	3	0	0
6	Odisha	1	4	3
7	Tripura	0	0	0
8	Uttarakhand	2	NR	NR
9	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	0
10	Karnataka	0	1	1
Total		14	12	15

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Elephant Casualties due to Electrocutation during the last three years

S.No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	5	1	NR
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	NR
3	Assam	11	13	12
4	Chhattisgarh	2	7	4
5	Jharkhand	5	5	4
6	Karnataka	8	9	7
7	Kerala	4	2	6
8	Maharashtra	0	NR	0
9	Meghalaya	5	0	1
10	Nagaland	2	1	1
11	Odisha	9	8	13
12	Tamil Nadu	15	9	5
13	Tripura	0	0	0
14	Uttar Pradesh	3	0	2
15	Uttarakhand	2	NR	NR
16	West Bengal	5	10	2
	Total	76	65	57

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Elephant Casualties due to Poaching during the last three years

S.No	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	NR
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	NR
3	Assam	0	0	0
4	Chhattisgarh	0	0	0
5	Jharkhand	1	0	0
6	Karnataka	0	0	0
7	Kerala	1	1	0
8	Maharashtra	0	NR	0
9	Meghalaya	4	7	0
10	Nagaland	0	2	0
11	Odisha	3	2	1
12	Tamil Nadu	0	2	3
13	Tripura	0	0	0
14	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	0
15	Uttarakhand	0	NR	NR
16	West Bengal	0	0	0
Total		9	14	4

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Elephant Casualties due to Poisoning during the last three years

S.No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	NR
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	NR
3	Assam	0	1	6
4	Chhattisgarh	0	1	0
5	Jharkhand	0	0	0
6	Karnataka	0	0	0
7	Kerala	0	0	0
8	Maharashtra	0	NR	0
9	Meghalaya	0	0	0
10	Nagaland	0	0	0
11	Odisha	0	0	0
12	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0
13	Tripura	0	0	0
14	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	0
15	Uttarakhand	0	NR	NR
16	West Bengal	0	0	0
Total		0	2	6

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