

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3309
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2020.

Marine Species

3309. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any policy to deal with marine species that frequently get washed up stranded on shores and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is a proposal to conduct a marine mammal survey with the help of Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute to identify the hotspots where such stranding is taking place;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether there is a need to adopt an internationally recognized standard operating procedure to deal with marine species; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (e) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has organized consultation meeting for developing India Marine Animals Stranding Programme National Framework and Guidelines wherein Chief Wildlife Wardens/representatives of Coastal States, Coast Guard, Navy, Scientific Institutes on marine conservation, including Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Civil society organizations and marine species experts participated and provided inputs including on international best practice. A sub-group has since been constituted to finalize the draft document.
