

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4586
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2020

Eco Sensitive Zones

4586. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether delimitation of Eco Sensitive Zones have been conducted in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the objectives and the impact thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZ) are declared around Protected Areas(PAs) through Notification under the provisions of section 3 (2)(v) of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder. In 2011, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) prepared Guidelines for development of ESZ around National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries specifying activities that are to be prohibited, regulated and promoted in the ESZ. Out of total 662 PAs, MoEF&CC has so far published final ESZ Notifications covering 382 PAs and draft Notifications for 156 PAs. State-wise detail of Notified ESZ is Annexed.

(c) The objective of notifying ESZ around Protected Areas *inter alia* include minimising anthropogenic impacts, such as man animal conflict, conservation of biodiversity and to ensure sustainable development taking into consideration the needs and aspiration of the local people.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred in reply to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4586 due for answer on 20.03.2020 regarding 'Eco Sensitive Zone'.

State wise status of Eco-Sensitive Zones (PAs) as on 16.03.2020							
Sl. No.	State	Total no. of PAs	PAs received	Proposal of PAs pending with the State Govt./ Wildlife Division	Notifications Issued		
					Draft (Covering the PAs)	Final (Covering the PAs)	Total no. of PAs covered in Notifications
1	Andhra Pradesh	16	13	3	7	6	13
2	Andaman & Nicobar	105	100	5	0	100	100
3	Arunachal Pradesh	13	10	3	8	1	9
4	Assam	24	21	3	9	3	12
5	Bihar	13	13	0	3	10	13
6	Chhattisgarh	14	11	3	6	4	10
7	Chandigarh	2	2	0	0	2	2
8	Dadra Nagar Haveli	1	1	0	0	1	1
9	Daman & Diu	1	0	1	0	0	0
10	Delhi	1	1	0	0	1	1
11	Goa	7	7	0	0	7	7
12	Gujarat	27	26	1	4	22	26
13	Haryana	11	10	1	1	9	10
14	Himachal Pradesh	34	33	1	26	7	33
15	Jammu & Kashmir	19	6	13	4	1	5
16	Jharkhand	12	12	0	0	12	12
17	Karnataka	34	34	0	8	23	31
18	Kerala	23	23	0	22	0	22
19	Lakshadweep	1	0	1	0	0	0

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20	Madhya Pradesh	35	32	3	6	26	32
21	Maharashtra	54	45	9	10	33	43
22	Manipur	8	6	2	0	6	6
23	Meghalaya	6	3	3	1	2	3
24	Mizoram	10	10	0	0	7	7
25	Nagaland	4	0	4	0	0	0
26	Odisha	21	18	3	7	11	18
27	Punjab	14	13	1	0	13	13
28	Pondicherry	1	0	1	0	0	0
29	Rajasthan	30	20	10	11	8	19
30	Sikkim	8	8	0	0	8	8
31	Tamil Nadu	35	30	5	3	22	25
32	Telangana	12	12	0	7	5	12
33	Tripura	6	6	0	0	4	4
34	Uttar Pradesh	26	20	6	3	17	20
35	Uttarakhand	13	12	1	6	2	8
36	West Bengal	21	15	6	4	9	13
	Total	662	573	89	156	382	538