

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2840**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

**Ramsar Sites**

2840. SHRI JASBIR SINGH GILL:

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

- (a) the details of Ramsar sites in the country, State/UT-wise including Punjab;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to develop Harikewetland for eco-tourism; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) Based on the Ramsar criteria for designating Ramsar sites, India has designated 42 Ramsar sites since 1981. The State/UT-wise list of Ramsar sites in the country including Punjab is annexed.

(b)&(c). This Ministry has not received any proposal to develop Harike wetland for eco-tourism. However, as per information received from the State Government of Punjab, it has approved a scheme on Eco-tourism in Harike Wildlife Sanctuary amounting to Rs. 15.00 crores for the year 2020-21 for promoting Eco-friendly tourism in the area. For this purpose, the State Government has also made a budgetary provision of Rs. 7.56 crore in the budget estimates of FY 2020-21.

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**STATE/ UT-WISE LIST OF RAMSAR SITES IN INDIA**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Wetland</b>	<b>Date of Designation</b>	<b>Area (hectares)</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	Kolleru Lake	19-08-2002	90100
2	Assam	2	DeeporBeel	19-08-2002	4000
3	Bihar	3	Kabartal Wetland	21-07-2020	2620
4	Gujarat	4	Nalsarovar	24-09-2012	12000
5	Himachal Pradesh	5	Chandertal Wetland	08-11-2005	49
		6	Pong Dam Lake	19-08-2002	15662
		7	Renuka Wetland	08-11-2005	20
6	Jammu and Kashmir	8	Hokera Wetland	08-11-2005	1375
		9	Surinsar-Mansar Lakes	08-11-2005	350
		10	Wular Lake	23-03-1990	18900
7	Kerala	11	Asthamudi Wetland	19-08-2002	6140
		12	Sasthamkotta Lake	19-08-2002	373
		13	VembanadKol Wetland	19-08-2002	151250
8	Ladakh	14	Tso Kar Wetland Complex	17-11-2020	9,577
		15	Tsomoriri Lake	19-08-2002	12000
9	Madhya Pradesh	16	Bhoj Wetlands	19-08-2002	3201
10	Maharashtra	17	Lonar Lake	22-07-2020	427
		18	NandurMadhameshwar	21-06-2019	1437
11	Manipur	19	Loktak Lake (MR)	23-03-1990	26600
12	Odisha	20	Bhitarkanika Mangroves	19-08-2002	65000
		21	Chilka Lake	01-10-1981	116500
13	Punjab	22	Beas Conservation Reserve	26-09-2019	6429
		23	Harike Lake	23-03-1990	4100
		24	Kanjli Lake	22-01-2002	183
		25	Keshopur - Miani Community Reserve	26-09-2019	344
		26	Nangal Wildlife Sanctuary	26-09-2019	116
		27	Ropar Lake	22-01-2002	1365
14	Rajasthan	28	Keoladeo Ghana National Park (MR)	1-10-1981	2873
		29	Sambhar Lake	23-03-1990	24000
15	Tamil Nadu	30	Point Calimere Wildlife and Bird Sanctuary	19-08-2002	38500
16	Tripura	31	Rudrasagar Lake	08-11-2005	240

17	Uttar Pradesh	32	Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary	19-09-2019	225
		33	ParvatiArga Bird Sanctuary	02-12-2019	722
		34	Saman Bird Sanctuary	02-12-2019	526
		35	Samaspur Bird Sanctuary	03-10-2019	799
		36	Sandi Bird Sanctuary	26-09-2019	309
		37	SarsaiNawarJheel	19-09-2019	161
		38	Sur Sarovar	21-08-2020	431
		39	Upper Ganga River	08-11-2005	26590
18	Uttarakhand	40	Asan Conservation Reserve	21-07-2020	444
19	West Bengal	41	East Calcutta Wetlands	19-08-2002	12500
		42	Sunderbans Wetland	30-01-2019	423000
<b>19 States &amp; UTs</b>		<b>42 Ramsar Sites</b>		<b>Total Area = 1,081,438hectares</b>	

MR: Montreux Record