

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2874**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2021

**Impact of Cyclones on Wildlife in Odisha**

2874. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the frequent cyclones and its impact on wildlife on coastal belts of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures taken by the Union Government and State Government of Odisha to offset the effects of the cyclones on the wildlife in Odisha?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) and (b) As per the information received from the State Government of Odisha, no study on the frequent cyclones and their impact on wildlife has been conducted along the coast of Odisha.
- (c) The Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to the State Governments/ UT Administrations in management of wildlife and their habitats. The following measures were taken to offset the effects of cyclones on wildlife along the coast of Odisha:
  - i. Strayed wild animals were rescued by the staff and released in their habitats.
  - ii. Creation of afforestation and meadow development works along the coastal divisions of the State to reduce the impact of cyclones.
  - iii. Eco Development Committees of the coastal divisions have been sensitized for protection of wildlife during cyclones.
  - iv. Squads were developed for protection of wildlife during the time of cyclones.

\*\*\*\*\*