

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 780**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2021

**Migratory Birds**

780. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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

- (a) the details of various migratory birds coming in the country particularly during winter season;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the number of such migratory birds have come down over the decades;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to protect such migratory birds along with the funds allocated/ utilized for the said purpose during each of the last three years and current year in Rajasthan, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) India is a key habitat for a large number of migratory birds. According to literature published by experts and scientific institutions, about 460 species of migratory birds visit India, out of which 175 species undertake long distance migration using the Central Asian Flyway (CAF). The birds which use CAF include Egyptian Vultures, Plovers, Ducks, Storks, Ibises, Flamingoes, Pochards, Sociable Lapwing, European Roller, Eurasian Golden Oriole, etc.
- (b) and (c) There are no specific reports indicating that the number of migratory birds have come down over the decades.
- (d) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change provides financial assistance to the States/Union Territories including Rajasthan for protection of wildlife, including migratory birds and their habitats, under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes – Development of Wildlife Habitat, Project Elephant and Project Tiger. Details of financial assistance provided to States/Union

Territories under the Scheme during the last three years and current year are at **Annexure-1, Annexure-II and Annexure-III** respectively.

Other important initiatives taken by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for conservation of migratory birds include:

- i. Several important habitats of migratory birds have been declared as Protected Areas.
- ii. Rare and endangered migratory species of birds found in India, like Black Necked Crane, Great Indian Bustard, Bar Headed Geese, Himalayan Griffon, SarusCranes, HoubaraBustard etc. have been listed in Schedule-I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, thereby providing them highest degree of protection.
- iii. A Central Asian Flyway National Action Plan (2018-2023) was launched in 2018 with the goal of conserving migratory birds and their habitats.
- iv. Notification of Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs) around many NationalParks and Sanctuaries under the provisions of the Environment(Protection) Act, 1986 to further strengthen conservation ofwildlife including migratory birds.
- v. The Ministry has issued guidelinesfor mitigation of impacts of linear infrastructure on wildlife, including migratory birds.
- vi. India is a signatory to the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and has also signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on conservation of species including Siberian Cranes, Raptorsetc.
- vii. The Ministry has also notified the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017 for conservation of all wetlands in the country which are also the resting places /breeding grounds of a large number of migratory birds.

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**ANNEXURE-1**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 780 REGARDING “MIGRATORY BIRDS” BY SHRI RAHUL KASWAN DUE FOR REPLY ON 05.02.2021**

Details of funds released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme- ‘Development of Wildlife Habitats’

**(Rs.in lakh)**

S.No.	Name of States/UTs	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 (as on date 01.02.2021)
1	A& N Islands	141.93486	191.00	132.64	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	0	75.00	0	0
3	Arunachal Pradesh	269.9348	344.42	512.69	312.59
4	Assam	275.827	265.32	164.26	0
5	Bihar	322.67435	749.00	148.142	200.37
6	Chandigarh	26.06514	0	0	25.16
7	Chhattisgarh	435.01469	350.61	310.0318	104.36
8	Goa	85.99383	0	111.654	0
9	Gujarat	558.52	2232.00	0	0
10	Haryana	181.4448	155.00	237.6078	18.22
11	Himachal Pradesh	237.4107	370.30	375.76554	417.07
12	Jammu & Kashmir	577.9151	492.43	0	80.63
13	Jharkhand	95.607	50.51	93.96	198.23
14	Karnataka	427.89	653.00	739.046	586.12
15	Kerala	900.834	1293.40	845.026	731.28
16	Madhya Pradesh	1379.488	912.20	629.266	333.90
17	Maharashtra	808.0555	1031.20	715.781	146.08
18	Manipur	425.6644	405.60	396.455	241.12
19	Meghalaya	114.061	312.00	238.839	133.31
20	Mizoram	487.44544	430.00	431.79	339.31
21	Nagaland	565.871	882.20	953.69	168.035
22	Odisha	342.93705	499.00	701.504	675.23
23	Rajasthan	622.4216	585.00	741.315	263.78
24	Sikkim	202.154	394.00	557.355	445.06
25	Tamil Nadu	394.7252	384.10	409.505	334.04
26	Telangana	157.0833	0	0	36.59
27	Uttar Pradesh	386.968	119.81	426.251	312.62
28	Uttarakhand	2979.3618	1764.10	1201.19	745.82
29	West Bengal	657.9924	960.60	891.073	710.62
30	Puducherry	0	0	0	0
31	Lakshadweep	6.71	46.30	193.272	293.06

32	Delhi	0	551.90	0	0
33	WII-Uttarakhand	0	0	200.00	0
34	Tripura	0	0	90.317	82.59
35	Ladakh UT	0	0	0	223.17
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15000.00496</b>	<b>16500.00</b>	<b>12448.42614</b>	<b>8158.365</b>

**ANNEXURE-II**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 780 REGARDING “MIGRATORY BIRDS” BY SHRI RAHUL KASWAN DUE FOR REPLY ON 05.02.2021**

Details of funds released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme- ‘Project Elephant’  
(Rs.in lakh)

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>State/UTs</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	17.394	29.016	127.03	0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	118.8504	0	103.26831	282.256
3	Assam	0	354.35103	0	0
4	Chhattisgarh	48.00	65.28	0	0
5	Jharkhand	105.5184	116.4636	131.586	111.86522
6	Karnataka	355.5484	353.91401	319.64799	330.40376
7	Kerala	482.55	466.69	312.2736	574.56
8	Maharashtra	27.00	46.536	44.1944	0
9	Meghalaya	162.849	217.8792	177.8976	9.36
10	Nagaland	25.20	141.219	213.9498	0
11	Odisha	124.8382	197.28	319.1328	564.31
12	Tamil Nadu	291.92	383.106	275.1576	0
13	Tripura	10.08	43.92	45.38	0
14	Uttar Pradesh	30.672	20.244	37.74	0
15	Uttarakhand	341.563	192.168	417.312	204.85
16	West Bengal	79.93022	83.94	113.254	64.1958
17	Haryana	17.76	8.385	13.44	11.04
18	Bihar	154.40	165.32376	57.02752	0
19	Rajasthan	14.454	12.6596	35.28	0
20	Punjab	0	0	0	0
21	Madhya Pradesh	0	4.7578	13.695	0
22	Manipur	10.80	9.072	10.944	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2419.32762</b>	<b>2912.205</b>	<b>2768.21062</b>	<b>2152.84078</b>

**ANNEXURE-III****ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 780 REGARDING “MIGRATORY BIRDS” BY SHRI RAHUL KASWAN DUE FOR REPLY ON 05.02.2021****Details of funds released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme- ‘Project Tiger’  
(Rs.in lakh)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/UTs</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	232.49	217.99	114.48	266.51
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	641.94	929.76	846.31	803.76
3.	Assam	2309.61	1919.62	2198.76	2493.9
4.	Bihar	552.27	570.9	562.84	628.89
5.	Chhatisgarh	1315.08	536.14	358.53	471.16
6.	Jharkhand	338.62	367	1432.07	73.653
7.	Karnataka	2263.85	2267.43	2252.03	1924.375
8.	Kerala	636.41	653.03	607.07	402.88
9.	Madhya Pradesh	11271.63	5343.89	3501.91	2501.26
10.	Maharashtra	6419.17	11049.59	7220.39	2713.68
11.	Mizoram	215.32	318.84	337.7	161.53
12.	Odisha	1604.43	1022.32	1303.32	680.07
13.	Rajasthan	773.1	791.83	1203.19	752.89
14.	Tamil Nadu	2551.06	2366.82	1586.91	1101.91
15.	Telangana	294.04	1115.65	359.91	351.97
16.	Uttar Pradesh	820.07	685.34	1242.49	923.29
17.	Uttarakhand	1166.44	1417.26	2289.18	1414.57
18.	West Bengal	597.58	719.01	758.47	303.96
19.	Nagaland	0	24.86	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>34003.11</b>	<b>32317.28</b>	<b>28175.56</b>	<b>17970.26</b>