

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *310
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2021

Tiger Deaths

*310. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of persons have lost their lives in the country during the year 2020 in tiger attacks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the number of tiger deaths also increased during the said year;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there was a decline in the number of poaching incidents during 2020 but the number of tiger deaths was quite high during the year; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to arrest the increasing deaths of tigers in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI. BHUPENDER YADAV)

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e):- A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) OF THE
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- (a) & (b) Yes Sir, as reported by States, 44 persons have died due to tiger attacks in the year 2020.
- (c) As per information received from States, there are 106 tiger deaths in the year 2020. There is no drastic increase or decrease in tiger mortality as compared to previous years.
- (d) Yes Sir, there are 14 poaching incidents in 2020 as compared to 27 in 2019. The details of cause-wise tiger mortality in the year 2019 and 2020, as reported by States are at **Annexure-I**.
- (e) The National Tiger Conservation Authority has issued generic guidelines for formulating a Security Plan for each tiger reserve which is operationalized in the overarching Tiger Conservation Plan, legally mandated under section 38 V of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Annexure-I

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF THE LOK SABHA
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Details of cause-wise tiger mortality in the year 2019 and 2020, as reported by States

Year	N	UNP	US	P	Seizure	Total
2019	44	3	22	17	10	96
2020	20	0	71	8	7	106
N	Natural					
UNP	Unnatural not attributed to poaching (includes tigers died due to accidents, tigers eliminated in conflicts events etc.)					
US	Under Scrutiny					
P	Poaching					
