

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOKSABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3962
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2022

Death of Animals

3962. MS CHANDRANI MURMU:

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

- (a) whether the Government has data of animal death due to accidents caused by vehicles in national parks and sanctuaries in the country, if so, the details thereof State-wise during the last three years particularly in Odisha;
- (b) the details of animal deaths due to vehicles in Simlipal National Park; and
- (c) whether the Government will consider construction of animal corridor in Simlipal National Park for safety of animals?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) The management of forests and wildlife is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/UT Administrations. The State/UT wise details of animal deaths due to accidents caused by vehicles in National Parks and Sanctuaries are not collated in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. However, as per information received from the State of Odisha, the details of animal deaths due to accidents caused by vehicles in National Parks and Sanctuaries in Odisha are as given below:

Year	Name of National Park/Sanctuary	Animal	Number
2018-19	Nil		
2019-20	Balukhand-Konark Wildlife Sanctuary	Spotted Deer	1
2020-21	Simlipal Wildlife Sanctuary	Barking Deer	1

- (b) and (c) As informed by the Odisha State Government, no deaths of animals have been reported in Simlipal National Park due to vehicles. The State Government has informed that no animal corridor construction has been proposed in Simlipal National Park as no National Highway, State Highway or District roads pass through the National Park.
