GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 212 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2022

Human-Elephant Encounters

212. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Government is experimenting with a siren system, which would go off automatically sensing elephant herds crossing the National Highway to alert traffic to elephant movement in order to reduce human-elephant encounters particularly during cropping season when wild elephants would start coming out from forests;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the present status thereof; and
- (c) the funds sanctioned/spent in this regard, State wise?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme- Project Elephant (CSS-PE) did not undertake any experiment with a siren system which would go off automatically sensing elephant herds crossing the National Highway. However, the states are also supported for various conservation and management interventions involving scientific and technological inputs under the CSS-PE for preventing human elephant encounters.
