

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3234
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2024

Elephant Habitat Count

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

- (a) whether the elephant habitat count is conducted after every five years in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of last elephant habitat count conducted in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the elephant habitat count was launched in the country in 2022-23; and
- (d) if so, whether a report has been published thereon and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a)to(d) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change does not conduct elephant habitat count in the country. The Ministry conducts elephant census (estimated population) in the country. In 2017, the last elephant population estimation was done in coordination with the State Forest Departments and institutions. The Ministry, in coordination with Wildlife Institute of India and the State Forest Departments, has initiated ‘All India Synchronized Elephant Estimation’ in 2022-23. All such estimation reports are made public after their completion.
