GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1662 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2016

Betla National Park

1662. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of tigers in the Betla National Park during each of the last three tiger census;
- (b) whether the Government has provided or proposes to provide any financial assistance for the development of Betla National Park;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

- (a) The details of country level tiger estimation conducted every four years, pertaining to tiger landscapes in the country, which, *inter alia* shows the estimated number of tigers in the State of Jharkhand encompassing the Betla National Park, for the years 2006, 2010 and 2014 are at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) & (c) Financial assistance is provided to tiger States based on their Annual Plan of Operations under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger. Financial assistance to the State of Jharkhand for development of Palamau Tiger Reserve, which includes the Betla National Park, by Government of India during the last three financial years and current financial year, under the said Scheme is at Annexure-II. Besides, the State Government also funds the tiger reserve from its own budget.
- (d) Question does not arise.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1662 ON BETLA NATIONAL PARK DUE FOR REPLY ON 08.03.2016

Details of tiger estimation pertaining to tiger landscapes in the country, for the years 2006, 2010 and 2014

State	Tiger Population				
	2006 2010		2014		
Shivalik-Gangetic Plain Landscape					
Complex					
Uttarakhand	178 (161-195)	227 (199-256)	340		
Uttar Pradesh	109 (91-127)	118 (113-124)	117		
Bihar	10 (7-13)	8 (-)	28		
Shivalik Gangetic	297 (259-335)	353 (320-388)	485 (427-543)		
Central Indian Landscape Complex					
and Eastern Ghats Landscape					
Complex					
Andhra Pradesh (including Telangana)	95 (84-107)	72 (65-79)	68		
Chhattisgarh	26 (23-28)	26 (24-27)	46		
Madhya Pradesh	300 (236-364)	257 (213-301)	308		
Maharashtra	103 (76-131)	169 (155-183)	190		
Odisha	45 (37-53)	32 (20-44)	28		
Rajasthan	32 (30-35)	36 (35-37)	45		
Jharkhand	-	10 (6-14)	3+		
Central India	601 (486-718)	601 (518-685)	688 (596-780)		
Western Ghats Landscape Complex					
Karnataka	290 (241-339)	300 (280-320)	406		
Kerala	46 (39-53)	71 (67-75)	136		
Tamil Nadu	76 (56-95)	163 (153-173)	229		
Goa	_	-	5		
Western Ghats	402 (336-487)	534 (500-568)	776 (685-861)		
North Eastern Hills and Brahmaputra					
Flood Plains					
Assam	70 (60-80)	143 (113-173)	167		
Arunachal Pradesh	14 (12-18)	_	28*		
Mizoram	6 (4-8)	5	3+		
North West Bengal	10 (8-12)	-	3		
North East Hills, and Brahmaputra	100 (84-118)	148 (118-178)	201 (174-212)		
Sunderbans	-	70 (64-90)	76 (92-96)		
TOTAL	1411 (1165-1657)	1706 (1520-1909)	2226 (1945-2491)		

+ From scat DNA

* From camera trap data and scat DNA

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) & (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1662 ON BETLA NATIONAL PARK DUE FOR REPLY ON 08.03.2016

Details of funds released to the Palamau Tiger Reserve, Jharkhand under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Project Tiger" during the last three financial years (2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15) and current financial year (2015-16)

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Tiger Reserve (State)	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (as on 02.03.2016)
1	Palamau Tiger Reserve (Jharkhand)	107.44023	251.168	199.080	47.98470
