

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3765
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2016

Income from National Parks

3765. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

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

- (a) the details of income from national parks/sanctuaries and safaris is in the country, State/Park -wise during the last three years;
- (b) the expenditure, both plan and non-plan on the maintenance of the parks/sanctuaries in the country during the said period; and
- (c) the guidelines/provisions for conducting safari in the National Parks/Sanctuaries and Tiger Reserves?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT,
FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

- (a) and (b) Management of National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries and safari is the responsibility of concerned State/UT Governments. Hence, the information on details of income from National Parks/Sanctuaries and safari in the country and the expenditure incurred on the maintenance of such parks/sanctuaries and safari are not maintained in the Ministry.
- (c) Normative guidelines for establishment of Tiger Safaris in Tiger Reserve have been issued on 15.10.2012 vide notification No 15-31/2012-NTCA in Gazette of India. The guidelines are available in public domain at www.projecttiger.nic.in. Relevant part of the guidelines is given in the **Annexure.**

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (C) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3765 REGARDING “INCOME FROM NATIONAL PARKS” BY SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR FOR REPLY ON 9.8.2016.

Relevant part of the normative guidelines for establishment of Tiger Safaris in Tiger Reserve:

16.21 Establishment of Tiger Safari, interpretation and awareness centres under the existing component of 'co-existence agenda in buffer and fringe areas', and management of such centres through the respective Panchayati Raj Institutions (creation - Non-Recurring; maintenance - Recurring).

The Tiger Safaris may be established in the buffer areas of tiger reserves which experience immense tourist influx in the core/critical tiger habitat for viewing tiger. The interpretation and awareness centres would also be supported in such buffer areas to foster awareness for eliciting public support. The management of such centres would be through the respective Panchayati Raj (PR) institutions.