

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:206  
ANSWERED ON:07.08.2000  
DEATH OF TIGERS  
RAJIV PRATAP RUDY

**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether death of wild cub-Tigers and other endangered animals have been reported in various zoo in the country due to wrong diagnosis and treatment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the action being taken by the Government against the responsible persons?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a),(b)&(c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a)(b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 206 BY RAJIV PRATAP RUDY REGARDING DEATH OF TIGERS FIXED FOR REPLY ON 7-8-2000.

As per the records of the Central Zoo Authority, the number of tiger cubs that have died in various zoos, in the country during 1998-99 and 1999-2000, is 14 and 12 respectively. State-wise details of tiger cub mortality are at Annexure-I. Main reasons for the death of tiger cubs are rejection by mother and diseases like diarrhea and pneumonia etc. Mortality is generally within 6 months from the birth. Number of animals pertaining to other endangered species that have died during 1997-98 and 1998-99 are 440 and 1398 respectively. State-wise details of mortalities of these animals are at Annexure-II. The details of 1999-2000 have not so far been compiled and collated.

No specific case of any animal dying because of wrong diagnosis and treatment has come to the notice of the Central Government.

**ANNEXURE – I**

ANNEXUREAS REFERRED TO IN THE STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a)(b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 206 BY SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY REGARDING DEATH OF TIGERS FIXED FOR REPLY ON 7-8-2000.

S.No State Name 1998-99 1999-2000

Cub	Cub	Total			
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	0	1	1	
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	2	0	2	
3	ASSAM	0	0	0	
4	BIHAR	0	0	0	
5	DELHI	0	0	0	
6	GOA	0	0	0	
7	GUJARAT	0	4	4	
8	HARYANA	0	0	0	
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	
10	KARNATAKA	6	0	6	
11	KERALA	0	0	0	
12	MADHYA PRADESH	0	1	1	
13	MAHARASHTRA	0	0	0	
14	MANIPUR	0	0	0	
15	MEGHALAYA	0	0	0	
16	MIZORAM	0	0	0	
17	NAGALAND	0	0	0	
18	ORISSA	6	6	12	
19	PUNJAB	NA	NA	NA	
20	RAJASTHAN	0	0	0	
21	SIKKIM	0	0	0	
22	TAMIL NADU	0	0	0	
23	TRIPURA	0	0	0	
24	UTTAR PRADESH	0	0	0	
25	WEST BENGAL	0	0	0	
26	JAMMU & KASHMIR	0	0	0	
Total	14	12	26		

NA==Not Available

## ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXUREAS REFERRED TO IN THE STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a)(b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 206 BY SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY REGARDING DEATH OF TIGERS FIXED FOR REPLY ON 7-8-2000.

S. No                      State Name    1997-98    1998-99

1	ANDHRA PRADESH	28	44
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	6	4
3	ASSAM	21	15
4	BIHAR	22	25
5	DELHI	9	23
6	GOA	0	2
7	GUJARAT	46	71
8	HARYANA	7	4
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1	6
10	KARNATAKA	9	13
11	KERALA	10	9
12	MADHYA PRADESH	18	20
13	MAHARASHTRA	17	48
14	MANIPUR	6	4
15	MEGHALAYA	0	3
16	MIZORAM	7	0
17	NAGALAND	0	0
18	ORISSA	25	37
19	PUNJAB	8	16
20	RAJASTHAN	69	64
21	SIKKIM	0	0
22	TAMIL NADU	80	919
23	TRIPURA	9	4
24	UTTAR PRADESH	22	28
25	WEST BENGAL	19	32
26	JAMMU & KASHMIR	0	0
27	A & N ISLANDS	1	7
Total	440	1398	

It includes 890 deaths of crocodiles in Madras Crocodile Bank due to congestion and in fighting