

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

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BAN ON HUNTING

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

- (a) whether the Government are aware of cases of hunting of rare birds leading to their extinction;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of the National Birds/Animals which have been banned for hunting by the Government; and
- (d) the number and names of these National Birds/Animals in the Sanctuaries, Sanctuary-wise ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAAIU) :

- (a) and (b) Pink Headed Duck and Mountain Quail are the two species of birds which got extinct more than 50 years back. No other species of bird has become extinct because of hunting after that.
- (c) Under the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, hunting of all species of wild animals and birds except crow, fruit bat, mice and rat is banned.
- (d) The details of species found in national parks and sanctuaries in different biogeographic zones is given in the Statement attached.