

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:676  
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PROTECTION OF NEW BIRD SPECIES  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a new bird scientifically known as *Liocichla Bugunorum* has been discovered in Arunachal Pradesh making it the first ornithological find in the country in more than half a century;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken to Preserve and promote the same?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. As part of a study undertaken by the Kaati Trust, Pune and Arunachal Pradesh Forest Department under the Eglest Biodiversity Project - 1 (2003-2006), a new species of bird, scientifically known as *Liocichla bugunorum*, has been discovered in Arunachal Pradesh.
- (c) The habitat of the bird is already a part of a Wildlife Sanctuary which is well protected and conserved.