

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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POPULATION OF TIGERS

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

- (a) the number of tiger population in various tiger reserves in the country, recorded during the last three years;
- (b) the number of arrests of people involved in poaching and hunting of tigers and sale of animal skins reported from different States during the above period;
- (c) the reasons for disappearance of tigers from Sariska Reserve in Rajasthan despite better resources deployed in terms of manpower and protection camps;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to review the existing law to apprehend the poachers and hunters and provide stringent measures to monitor the utilization of allocated funds and maintain the credibility of census of tigers in various tiger reserves; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

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