

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided to conduct a detailed survey to assess the vulture population in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be conducted?

Answer

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

(a) (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. All the vulture range States of the country have been directed to carry out population estimation of the species. Due to concern over the decline in the vulture population, the survey and monitoring of the species has to be a continuous process and hence no time frame has been prescribed.