

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

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

- (a) whether Government has declared some of the area in the country as a Desert National Park; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including the purpose for declaring it as the Desert National Park?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a)&(b) State Government of Rajasthan has notified Desert Wildlife Sanctuary in Jaisalmer District as Desert National Park on 4th August 1980 vide Notification No. F3(1)(73) Rev/dated 4/8/1980. It comprises of 3162 sq. kms. It has been declared National Park due to its ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological, natural or zoological significance for the purpose of protecting, propagating, developing wildlife and its environment.