

Technology Missions

6907. SHRI ANBARASU ERA:
SHRI MANORANJAN
BHAKTA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether launching of Several Technology Missions is under active consideration of the Union Government;

(b) if so, the broad features thereof; and

(c) the likely expenditure to be incurred on these Missions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[*Translation*]

Endangered Wildlife Species in Uttar Pradesh

6908. SHRI SHEO SHARAN VERMA:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of wildlife species in Uttar Pradesh and the species among them which are on the verge of extinction;

(b) the steps taken by Government for

the protection of these species; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Important species of mammals, birds and reptiles found in Uttar Pradesh are given below in statement-I. Comprehensive list of lower vertebrates, invertebrates and plants found in Uttar Pradesh is not available. No species of wild animals or plants in Uttar Pradesh is on the verge of extinction. However the list of animals and plants included in the endangered list of I.U.C.N. is given below in statement-II.

(b) and (c) Steps taken by Government for protection of these species include:

- i) A network of national parks and sanctuaries has been set up. List is given below in statement-III.
- ii) Hunting and wildlife trade of endangered species and their products has been banned.
- iii) Gharials reared in captivity and released in suitable habitats.
- iv) Dudhwa and Corbett national parks have been declared as Tiger reserves under the project Tiger.
- v) Special programme for Conservation of snow leopard under taken in hills of Uttar Pradesh.