

- the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- (ii) Improvement of the habitat through improvement of meadows, creation of water tanks, etc.
- (iii) Protection measures like construction of watch towers and deployment of staff.
- (iv) Ensuring the willing cooperation of the local people in conserving and protecting the blackbuck.

STATEMENT

<i>S. No.</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Estimated blackbuck population.*</i>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1108-1138
2.	Bihar	30-40
3.	Gujarat	4300
4.	Haryana	4852
5.	Karnataka	4000
6.	Madhya Pradesh	4110
7.	Maharashtra	8200
8.	Orissa	1200-1300
9.	Punjab	3530
10.	Rajasthan	8178
11.	Tamil Nadu	2325
12.	Uttar Pradesh	1480
13.	West Bengal	26

*Source — THE INDIAN BLACKBUCK (1990), BY DR. M. K. RANJITSINH.

Legislation for Compulsory use of Anti-Pollution Equipments

6282. SHRI P. M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring forth some legislation making it a statu-

tory obligation for all the small scale and big industries in Delhi to use anti-pollution control equipment; and

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be brought in and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOR-

ESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, it is a statutory obligation for all industries to control their pollution within the prescribed standards. No fresh legislation is necessary in this regard.

[*Translation*]

Preservation of Musk Deer

6983. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a decrease in the number of musk deers during last two years;

(b) if so, the existing number thereof state-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to establish a musk deer sanctuary in any part of the country; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b). Musk deer occurs in the Himalayas in States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. State Government have not undertaken enumerations of Musk Deer. It is not possible to state that the population of Musk Deer has decreased during last two years.

(c) and (d). Responsibility of setting up of sanctuaries vests with the State Government. A list of national parks and sanctuaries where the musk deer is known to occur is given in the Statement below.