

State	Sl. No.	City
Uttar Pradesh	82.	Agra
	83.	Allahabad
	84.	Anpara
	85.	Bareilly
	86.	Firozabad
	87.	Gajraula
	88.	Ghaziabad
	89.	Jhansi
	90.	Kanpur
	91.	Khurja
	92.	Lucknow
	93.	Muradabad
	94.	Noida
	95.	Raebareli
	96.	Varanasi
Uttarakhand	97.	Kashipur
	98.	Rishikesh
West Bengal	99.	Kolkata
Bihar	100.	Patna
	101.	Gaya
	102.	Muzaffarpur

#### **Eco-sensitive zones around National Parks**

2760. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state

(a) whether Government has been directed to declare ten kms. area around national parks as ecosensitive zones;

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the response of Government;
- (c) whether Government will erect fencing to prevent intruders entering into the zones; and
- (d) if not, details of other measures suggested to protect the zones?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Hon'ble Supreme Court while hearing Writ Petition(s) (Civil) No(s). 202/1995 and Writ Petition (C) No. 460/2004 and Writ Petition (C) No. 435/2012 on 11th December 2018 had directed the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for declaration of an area of 10 Kms around 21 National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries as Eco Sensitive Zone. The Ministry has communicated the said order to the respective State Governments *vide* letter dated 19th December 2018.

(c) and (d) All activities in the Eco sensitive Zone are governed as per the provisions contained in the Notification. The important steps to protect Eco-Sensitive Zones around National Parks and Sanctuaries include:

(i) The Ministry of Environment and Forest issued an Office Memorandum No. J-11013/41/2006-IA. II(I) dated 2nd December 2009 stipulating that while granting environmental clearance to projects located within 10 km of National Parks and Sanctuary, a specific condition shall be stipulated that the environmental clearance is subject to their obtaining prior clearance from Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife.

(ii) The Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) Notifications are issued under the Environment (Protection)' Act, 1986 and contains Permitted; Regulated and Prohibited activities.

(iii) The activities in the ESZ are monitored by a Monitoring Committee, chaired by the District Collector as the chairman and the DCF of the concerned National Park/ Sanctuary as the Member Secretary.

#### **Mitigating Impact of Climate Change**

2761. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether REDD (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation) is a mechanism for encouraging nations to preserve their forests by giving an economic value to the carbon saved by stopping deforestation in developing