

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1964**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2024

**Population of cheetah brought from Africa**

1964 SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:  
SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether the population of cheetah brought from Africa is increasing steadily in the country, if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is planning to bring new consignment of cheetah from Kenya and South Africa;
- (c) if so, details thereof and by when, and the total number likely to be brought in the current year;
- (d) whether Government has signed any agreement with Government of Kenya regarding transmigration of cheetah to India as per environmental condition of Kenya; and
- (e) the names of National Parks and Sanctuaries where these will be inhabited?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

- (a) 17 Cheetah cubs were born at the Kuno National Park after introduction of the Cheetah in India.
- (b) & (c) As per the Action Plan for Introduction of Cheetah in India, every year, depending upon the availability of animals and status of introduced Cheetahs, 12-14 individuals were decided to be brought from South Africa and Namibia or other African countries for the plan duration.
- (d) No, Sir. No agreement has been signed with Government of Kenya for translocation of Cheetahs to India.
- (e) As per the Action Plan for Introduction of Cheetah in India, the other recommended sites for introduction of Cheetah in India are the Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh, the Gandhisagar-Bhainsrorgarh Wildlife Sanctuary Complex in Madhya Pradesh & Rajasthan, besides the Shahgarh bulge and fenced enclosure at the Mukundara Hills Tiger Reserve in Rajasthan.

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