GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1631 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2023

Status of Cheetahs brought from Namibia

1631. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR:

Will the MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Cheetahs brought in India from Namibia, the number of Cheetahs which are alive;
- (b) the quantity of expenses which Government has borne to bring those Cheetahs; and
- (c) the reasons for those Cheetah not surviving in Indian forests?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

- (a) Seven out of eight cheetahs brought in India from Namibia are alive.
- (b) As per the Action Plan for Introduction of cheetah in India, for the first phase (5 years), the estimated cost of the project is Rs. 91.65 crore.
- (c) The Government of India has prepared a detailed scientific action plan as per IUCN Guidelines for introduction of Cheetah in India. To ensure conservation and protection of Cheetahs in India, actions are taken as per scientific action plan which has been prepared following the expertise of leading Cheetah experts including biologists, ecologists, conservationists and managers.
