

- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): (a) and (b) The National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) was released on June 30, 2008 outlining India's strategy to meet the challenge of Climate Change. All the eight National Missions under NAPCC have been approved by Prime Minister's Council on Climate Change in the year 2011. The NAPCC does not have any specific target for the Eleventh Five Year Plan.

(c) to (e) Prime Minister's Council on Climate Change regularly reviews the matter connected with Climate Change including the implementation of the NAPCC. Meetings of Prime Minister's Council on Climate Change were held during May, 2011 and November, 2011, to monitor status of implementation of all the eight National Missions under NAPCC.

Construction of housing projects on wetlands

22. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any complaints against the developers for construction of housing projects on wetlands; and
- (b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A complaint was received regarding reclamation of wetland habitats in Bil Akbarpur, Greater Noida for township. A central team was sent to site to verify facts and on the basis of field inspection, a show cause notice was served to the builders. They were directed to stop any construction/earth filling/land reclamation work in the vicinity of wetlands and lands having the characteristics of wetlands.

Increase in lion population in Gir

23. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the rise in the number of Asiatic lions is posing a number of challenges;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the reserve forest area of Gir can ideally handle around 300 lions as per the census out last year; and
- (c) if so, the details of steps the Ministry is taking to save lions from falling into open wells?