

COST OF MENACE

There is no centralised databank on monkey raids in the country. According to officials and media reports, 20 states/UTs have reported significant crop damages due to monkey attacks



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Jammu and Kashmir ₹33 crore

worth of farm produce is lost annually in Jammu district because of attacks by monkeys

Himachal Pradesh ₹500 crore

is the amount of crop loss the state registers every year because of attacks by wild animals, including monkeys

Uttarakhand ₹2 lakh

is the compensation the state gives to victims of monkey bite. Uttarakhand is the only state to give compensations in the country

Uttar Pradesh ₹2 crore

is the amount Agra City Development Authority has allocated to fight the menace

Delhi ₹8 crore

is what the Delhi government has spent on feeding 19,000 monkeys that were relocated to a sanctuary outside the city in 2007. Still, more than 1,000 monkeys have died so far and many more have fled the sanctuary because of hunger

Maharashtra ₹6,000

is the amount private monkey catchers charge from the state for catching one monkey

Bihar 50,000

farmers were reportedly affected by crop raids in Saharsa district alone

Karnataka 800 farmers

from a single taluka near Mangalore gave up cultivation after monkeys destroyed 75 per cent of crops in the area in 2012

Telangana ₹830 crore

is the amount the state government has sanctioned this year to create green islands to provide habitation to 200,000 monkeys