

Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding establishment of a centre of the Indian Institute of tourism and Travel Management in Koppal city of Karnataka.

SHRI KARADI SANGANNA AMARAPPA (KOPPAL): Hon. Chairman, Sir, I thank you very much for giving me this opportunity. I would like to raise a very important issue regarding establishment of a centre of the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management in Koppal city of Karnataka.

Sir, Koppal is my constituency and it comes under the special Article 371-J. It is a district headquarters which is surrounded with a number of historical, cultural and mythological places like Hampi, Badami, Aihole, Pattadakal, Anjanadari Betta, the birth place of Lord Hanuman, Kishkindha, etc. There are 27 UNESCO identified cultural and heritage sites in India and Hampi is one of them.

Sir, Karnataka occupies top position in terms of IT industry. Other industries in my State of Karnataka are also doing very well. Koppal district is one of the fastest growing districts of Karnataka. It is surrounded with potential mining sites and huge natural resources.

Sir, I wish to place all these facts before the hon. Minister for Tourism, Government of India and further reinforce that this place has a lot of economic potential as a tourism destination.... (*Interruptions*)

Sir, as the place is blessed with required resources, the Chapter/ Centre of Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management would further enrich its potential and the students graduated from the institute will get good placements. The institute will help the students to pursue their career in tourism and travel industry.

HON. CHAIRPERSON: Kunwar Pushpendra Singh Chandel is permitted to associate with the issue raised by Shri Karadi Sanganna Amarappa.

