

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT FUND
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has finalised a proposal for setting up a Rs.500 crore tourism development fund;
- (b) if so, how the funds so provided is to be utilized for development of infrastructure to boost tourism in the country;
- (c) whether the proposal is to be implemented in consultation with the state Governments; and
- (d) if so, the allocations to be made to the states under this fund?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) A proposal for creation of a Tourism Infrastructure Development Fund/Scheme with an allocation of Rs. 500 crores during the 10th Plan has been sent to the Planning Commission. This broadly envisages improving basic infrastructure facilities like roads, electricity supply, water supply etc. at important tourist places in the country. However, the details have not been finalised/approved.

(b), (c) and (d): Do not arise.