

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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ARRIVAL OF TOURISTS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for arrival of tourists in Himachal Pradesh during the Tenth Five Year Plan and the number of tourists visited Himachal Pradesh since 2002, till-date;

(b) the number of projects being run for creating additional accommodation under tourism projects in Himachal Pradesh and amount released to State Government as a central share during the current plan; and

(b) the amount provided for Destination Tourism, Rural Tourism, Eco-Tourism and the projects earning high revenue as a central share to Government of Himachal Pradesh?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM(SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a): No target has been fixed for tourist arrivals in Himachal Pradesh during the Tenth Five Year Plan. The details of tourist arrivals in Himachal Pradesh during the last three years are as follows:-

Year	Domestic	Foreign
2002	4958917	144383
2003	5543414	167902
2004	6345069	204344

(b) and (c): During the Tenth Plan, the following projects have been sanctioned in Himachal Pradesh:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Name of Project	Scheme	Amount sanctioned
2002-03	Himalayan Circuit (Chandigarh-Kullu-Manali-Lahaul/Spiti-Leh)	Tourist Circuit	793.38
2002-03	Renovation of Ancient Temple at Dada Siba (District Kangra)	Destination Development	7.81
2003-04	Rural Tourism at Pragpur (District Kangra)	Rural Tourism	50.00
2003-04	Development of Naggar Village (District Kullu)	Rural Tourism	50.00
2004-05	Renovation/Revitalization of Heritage Hotel Castle Naggar (District Kullu) and Palace Hotel Chail (District Solan)	Destination Development	500.00
2004-05	Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit Shimla	Tourist Circuit	800.00
2004-05	Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit Kangra	Tourist Circuit	800.00
2004-05	Development of Sirmour Development	Destination	500.00
2004-05	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project at Village Naggar (District Kullu)	UNDP Endogenous	20.00