

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6530
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2005
STUMBLING BLOCKS IN TOURISM SECTOR IN NORTH EAST
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the North-East is facing a few stumbling blocks in tourism sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to remove the stumbling blocks?

Answer

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

(a), (b) and (c) : Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Govts./UTs. However, the development of tourism in the North East has been slow due to lack of adequate tourist infrastructure. In order to cover this gap, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has initiated steps to speed up the development of tourism in North East by grant of financial assistance under the following schemes: -

1. Product/Infrastructure, Destination Development
2. Integrated Development of Travel Circuits
3. Rural Tourism Development
4. Large Revenue Generating Projects
5. Information Technology support
6. Promotion & Publicity support
- 7 Surveys & Studies for preparation of Feasibility Reports and Detailed Project Reports

Ministry of Tourism, Government of India provides financial assistance for the projects identified in consultation with the State Govts. concerned. Statement showing projects sanctioned to North Eastern States during 2004-2005 is annexed.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a), (b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6530 ANSWERED ON 09.05.2005 REGARDING STUMBLING BLOCKS IN TOURISM SECTOR IN NORTH-EAST.

Statement showing funds sanctioned to North East States including Sikkim during 2004-2005

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Project Sanctioned	Amount Sanctioned
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1.	Arunachal Pradesh	
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1. Destination Development of Along 266.00
2. Construction of Wayside Amenities at Kuporiji 65.40
3. Development of Gangalake Itanagar 243.00
4. Eco-Tourist Huts at Changlaang 83.24
5. Development of Gangalake Phase II, Itanagar 244.06
6. Development of Zeminthang 384.00

2. Assam

1. Development of NE Circuit, Assam 350.00
2. Rural Tourism at Sualkuchi, Kamrup District 384.00

3. Meghalaya

1. Development of Barapani, Umiam 289.15
2. Development of Tourist Circuit, Meghalaya 674.15

4. Mizoram

1. Destination Development of Mizoram 442.35
2. Circuit Development of Mizoram 634.00

5. Nagaland

1. Eco-Tourism Convention Centre at Piphema 351.00
2. Destination Development of Pfutsero 439.24
3. Renovation of Tourist Lodges at Kohima & Dimapuar 58.95
4. Rural Tourism -Phase II Under PM's Package 550.00
5. Development of Tourist Circuits at 6 places in Nagaland 766.50

6. Sikkim

1. Motorala Repeater Station 3.81
2. Rural Tourism at Lachen Village 50.00
3. Development of Buddhist Circuit 181.00

