

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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ECO TOURISM POLICY  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to draft eco-tourism policy;and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The National Eco-Tourism Policy and Guidelines have already been laid down by Ministry of Tourism. They aim to preserve, retain and enrich natural resources and to ensure regulated growth of Eco-Tourism with it's positive impacts on environmental protection and community development. The operational guidelines have also been laid down for the Government, developers, operators and providers of eco-tourism, the visitors, the host population, non-governmental organization etc.