

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST COMPLEXES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether huge tourism potential exists in some States particularly in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the areas identified where the Union and State Governments could jointly develop the tourists complexes in the States;
- (c) whether any comprehensive action plan has been formulated in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Development and promotion of tourist destinations/products is primarily the responsibility of the State Govt./UT concerned. The Ministry of Tourism however, provides financial assistance to the State Govts./U.Ts for the projects which are prioritized in consultation with them.

(c), (d) & (e): In order to assist the State Governments in identifying various places of tourist interest and their systematic and holistic development, the Ministry of Tourism has prepared 20 years Perspective Plans for various States including Tamil Nadu, with broad objectives for development of tourism, which inter-alia provides an action plan for development of identified places.