

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:82
ANSWERED ON:23.02.2006
TOURIST SPOTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of tourist spots in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government is providing financial assistance to the State Governments for the development/maintenance of the said tourist spots;
- (c) if so, the financial assistance provided to the States during 2004-05 and 2005-06;
- (d) whether the State Governments are fully utilizing the amount being provided by the Union Government;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the revenue earned from the tourist spots during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI)

(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)&(f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. +82 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.02.2006 REGARDING TOURIST SPOTS.

(a): India offers an array of tourist destinations including World Heritage Sites all over the country that attracts travellers from all over the world. The list of 26 such World Heritage Sites is enclosed at Annexure-A.

(b) & (c): Development, maintenance and management of the tourist spots is primarily the responsibility of the State Govt./UT Administration. Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance to the State Govts/UTs for development of tourist spots/sites based on their prioritized proposals. The financial assistance provided to the States during 2004-05 and 2005-06 is at Annexure-B. The maintenance and management of the assets created with central financial assistance is the responsibility of the State/U.T. Govts.

(d) & (e): Ministry of Tourism releases 80% of the sanctioned amount as 1st installment and balance amount of 20% is released after receipt of Utilisation certificate and Completion Certificate. The sanctioned projects are constantly reviewed and monitored.

(f): Tourism earnings for the year 2004 and 2005 are at Annexure-C.

ANNEXURE-C IN REPLY TO PART (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. +82 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.02.2006 REGARDING TOURIST SPOTS.

STATEMENT SHOWING FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS IN RUPEES AND IN US\$ DURING THE YEAR 2004 AND 2005

Foreign exchange earnings (in Rs. crore)

Month 2004 2005# % change 2005/04

January	2084.59	2326.20	11.6
February	2049.70	2343.18	14.3
March	1811.71	2210.62	22.0
April	1368.42	1649.96	20.6
May	1133.82	1452.75	28.1
June	1363.76	1637.29	20.1
July	1776.60	2048.78	15.3
August	1651.69	1898.03	14.9
September	1478.71	1764.06	19.3
October	1906.36	2185.34	14.6
November	2388.71	2671.88	11.9

December 2588.93 2984.19 15.3
TOTAL: 21603.00 25172.28 16.5

#Provisional

Foreign exchange earnings (in US\$ Million)

Month 2004 2005\$ % change 2005/04

January 460.67 532.19 15.5
February 452.96 536.07 18.3
March 400.37 505.74 26.3
April 304.77 378.38 24.2
May 252.51 333.15 31.9
June 303.72 375.47 23.6
July 384.87 470.08 22.1
August 357.80 435.49 21.7
September 320.33 401.83 25.4
October 423.97 497.63 17.4
November 531.25 597.50 12.5
December 575.78 667.33 15.9
TOTAL: 4769.00 5730.86 20.2
\$Provisional

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE-B IN REPLY TO PART(c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. +82 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.02.2006 REGARDING TOURIST SPOTS

STATEMENT OF STATE-WISE TOURISM PROJECTS SANCTIONED AND FUNDS RELEASED DURING THE YEAR 2004-05 AND 2005-06 OF THE TENTH PLAN

(Rs. in Lakhs)

2004-05 2005-06 (as on 13.02.2006)

S.No	State/UT	No of Projects	Amount Sancd.	Amount Released	No of Projects	Amount Sancd.	Amount Released
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1.	Andhra Pradesh	15	2827.89	2315.68	4	2505.82	1604.50
2.	Assam	6	956.03	741.42	8	2125.00	1686.45
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	6	1285.70	905.52	10	2240.16	1655.21
4.	Bihar	7	1901.43	1527.71	1	768.12	614.50
5.	Chattisgarh	5	1117.94	884.85	5	1252.87	1002.56
6.	Goa	3	110.00	38.00	1	10.00	8.00
7.	Gujarat	2	138.93	111.14	3	1253.31	562.64
8.	Haryana	6	693.55	562.93	5	612.45	506.51
9.	Himachal Pradesh	10	2680.00	2152.00	4	1635.00	908.00
10.	J&K	6	878.45	707.16	22	6656.01	5320.91
11.	Jharkhand	2	945.91	756.72	3	11.70	9.36
12.	Karnataka	12	2459.76	1937.37	6	1648.23	969.57
13.	Kerala	9	2233.63	1780.33	11	4829.88	3865.30
14.	Madhya Pradesh	10	1547.19	1204.19	11	3037.39	2419.54
15.	Maharashtra	9	1650.69	1189.28	8	2070.04	1657.99
16.	Manipur	2	78.10	77.45	1	25.00	20.00
17.	Meghalaya	2	963.30	807.91	1	5.00	4.00
18.	Mizoram	4	1086.35	377.88	9	2268.41	1686.29
19.	Nagaland	6	2235.69	1401.40	9	2528.97	1873.17
20.	Orissa	7	1339.18	1050.03	8	1200.47	960.37
21.	Punjab	5	714.68	587.00	2	10.00	8.00
22.	Rajasthan	9	2387.35	1812.23	5	2084.69	1680.66
23.	Sikkim	5	650.81	520.33	14	2844.56	2213.74
24.	Tamil Nadu	7	1308.92	1050.72	18	4144.08	2976.06
25.	Tripura	1	20.00	16.00	3	716.26	569.43
26.	Uttaranchal	6	2184.98	1743.23	12	2723.00	2178.18
27.	Uttar Pradesh	9	1044.93	831.69	15	3124.22	2497.92
28.	West Bengal	10	513.04	408.43	2	975.00	780.00
29.	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
30.	Chandigarh	2	462.00	370.60	0	0.00	0.00
31.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	0	0.00	0.00	2	29.79	25.92
32.	Delhi	7	613.85	501.00	2	30.00	24.00
33.	Daman & Diu	0	0.00	0.00	3	182.70	144.95
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
35.	Pondicherry	3	462.73	370.56	2	469.39	375.51
	Total	193	37493.01	28740.76	210	54017.52	40809.24

Note- This includes the projects relating to Circuits, Destinations, Large Revenue Generating Projects, UNDP Rural Tourism (Software and Hardware) Projects, IT, Event, Fair & Festivals Projects.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE-A IN REPLY TO PART (a) LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. +82 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.02.2006 REGARDING TOURIST SPOTS STATEMENT SHOWING THE WORLD HERITAGE SITES IN INDIA

Cultural

- # Agra Fort
- # Ajanta Caves
- # Buddhist Monuments at Sanchi
- # Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park
- # Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus)
- # Churches and Convents of Goa
- # Elephanta Caves
- # Ellora Caves
- # Fatehpur Sikri
- # Great Living Chola Temples
- # Group of Monuments at Hampi
- # Group of Monuments at Mahabalipuram
- # Group of Monuments at Pattadakal
- # Humayun`s Tomb, Delhi
- # Khajuraho Group of Monuments
- # Mahabodhi Temple Complex at Bodh Gaya
- # Mountain Railways of India
- # Qutb Minar and its Monuments, Delhi
- # Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka
- # Sun Temple, Konarak
- # Taj Mahal

Natural

1. Kaziranga National Park
2. Keoladeo National Park
3. Manas Wildlife Sanctuary
4. Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Parks
5. Sundarbans National Park