

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

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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received some tourism projects under `special project quota` from the Government of Rajasthan for development and expansion of tourism in the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has accorded approval to these projects; and
- (d) if not, the reasons for the delay and the time by which approval to these projects are likely to be accorded?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b), (c) and (d) : Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations for tourism related projects which are identified and prioritized in consultation with them every year under the schemes Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits, Product/Infrastructure & Destination Development and Large Revenue Generating Projects. Project proposals that are complete in all respect are processed on the basis of their inter-se priority and funds released, subject to their availability under the respective Head.

The details of projects sanctioned under Central financial assistance to the Government of Rajasthan during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 are as under:-

(Rs. in lakh)		Amount
Sr.No.	Name of the project sanct- ioned	
2005-06		
1.	Mounting of Sound and Light Show at Amber Fort, Jaipur	129.26
2.	Development of Hawa Mahal and Jantar Mantar at Jaipur under Destination Development Scheme	464.32
3.	Integrated Development of Mewar-Vagad Circuit comprising of places in Udaipur-Rajsamand-Chittorgarh-Banswara-Doongerpur Districts as Tourist Circuit	580.00
4.	Development of Brij Bhoomi religious Tourist Circuit comprising of Mathura, Vrindavan, Barsana, Jheel, Kalia Devi, Poonchari, Neelkanth, Bharthrihari in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh	477.07
5.	Integrated Development of Pushkar (District Ajmer) as a Tourist Destination	434.04
6.	International Hot Air Ballooning as an Event in Rajasthan	15.00
2006-07		
1.	Integrated Development of Udaipur as Tourist Destination	276.68
2.	Conservation restoration and preservation of Gagron Fort in Jhalawar District under destination development	281.71