

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:137  
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2006  
REVENUE GENERATED FROM TOURISM SECTOR  
Jogi Shri Ajit

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

- (a) The revenue generated from the tourism sector during each of the last three years and the current year ;
- (b) The amount allocated to the State Governments for development of tourism, during the above period, State-wise; and
- (c) The details of the major projects taken up for development of tourism during this period, State-wise ?

**Answer**

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

(a), (b) & (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.137 ANSWERED ON 30.11.2006 REGARDING REVENUE GENERATED FROM TOURISM SECTOR

(a): Foreign exchange earnings in rupee terms from tourism sector during each of the last three years and the current year are as under :

Year	Foreign Exchange Earnings (Rs.in crore)
2003	16429
2004	21603
2005	25172
2006	22743.17

(upto October 2006)

(b) & (c) : Development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State/UT Governments. Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance to State/UT Governments for development of major tourism projects like Circuit/Destination development, Rural tourism projects, Information Technology projects, Events, Fairs and Festivals etc. based on the specific projects prioritized in consultation with them. The amount sanctioned for such tourism projects, State-wise during the last three years and the current year is at Annexure.