

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:299  
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DEPLOYMENT OF TOURIST POLICE  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has issued instructions to the State Governments to deploy Tourist Police for safety and security of monuments and foreign tourists at all tourist destinations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the States which have deployed the Tourist Police in this regard; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that all States deploy Tourist Police at the tourist destinations in the country?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. To ensure the safety & security of monuments & foreign tourists, the Ministry of Tourism has advised the State Governments to deploy Tourist Police at important tourist destinations.
- (c): The States of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Goa, Kerala, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi etc., have deployed Tourist Police force in one form or another.
- (d): Law & order is a subject which falls under the purview of the State/Union Territory concerned. However, in order to ensure the safety & security of tourist the Ministry of Tourism has been making endeavour to persuade the State Governments/Union Territories to deploy tourist police and make appropriate security arrangements at important destinations in the country.