

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2555
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NATIONAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up a National Tourism Development Board for integrated development of tourism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a), (b) and (c): The issue of setting up of a National Tourism Promotion Board was examined in detail by the Ministry in consultation with the trade and industry associations. Taking all factors into consideration, it was felt that there did not appear to be any added advantage in setting up a "Board" for almost the same task which the Ministry is doing at present. As such, the proposal of setting up of a National Tourism Development Board was dropped.