

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2563  
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PROJECT PRIYADARSHINI  
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched project Priyadarshini to bring women into the core area of the tourism industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any training is being provided to the women in the project and any financial assistance is given to them; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): 'Project Priyadarshini' an initiative of the Ministry of Tourism under the existing scheme of Capacity Building for Service Providers to develop capacity of women, envisaged training of identified women in various trades related to tourism sector including taxi operations etc.

(c) & (d): The Ministry has not sanctioned any fund for the training of women under the project during current financial year.