

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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PROGRESS OF TOURISM INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of progress of tourism industry in the country during the last five years;
- (b) the details of facilities available for imparting training in the various routes of tourism in the country;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to set up new Institutes/Training Centres in the country to impart training to provide skilled manpower in this field; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): The foreign tourist arrival during the year 2002 was 2.38 million and this increased to 4.45 million in the year 2006.
- (b): There are 21 Centrally sponsored, 5 State Governments sponsored Institutes of Hotel Management and 6 Food Crafts Institutes jointly sponsored by Central and State Govts. The Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management, Gwalior with centres at Bhubaneswar and NOIDA imparts training in travel trade. In addition, there are non governmental institutes in the country imparting Hospitality, travel and tourism education.
- (c) & (d): The Ministry of Tourism supports setting up of need-based Institutes of Hotel Management on receipt of requests from the State Governments/UT Administration.