

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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POTENTIAL OF TOURISM IN AYODHYA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any action plan has been formulated or proposed to be formulated in view of the vast potential of tourism in non-disputed areas of Ayodhya;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds allocated and sanctioned by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c): Development and promotion of tourism is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism (MoT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for tourism projects, which are identified in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations including Uttar Pradesh and funds released for the projects that are complete as per scheme guidelines, subject to availability of funds and utilization of funds released earlier. However, the State Government of Uttar Pradesh has prioritized one project namely; Tourism Development of Queen Hoe Memorial Complex and Signages in Korean language and SEL Shows in Ayodhya in the year 2014-15 for which Project Report has not been received by MOT.

Details of funds sanctioned to the State of Uttar Pradesh for the tourism projects in Ayodhya during 11th & 12th Plan period are given as under:

Plan year	Name of Project	Amount sanctioned	(Rs. in lakh)
11th Plan			
2008-09	Revitalization of Ayodhya (Faizabad) as a special Tourist Destination	498.00	
12th Plan			
2012-13	Development of Faizabad-Ayodhya as a special tourist circuit	656.60	
2013-14	Development of Ayodhya as tourist destination, Distt. Faizabad.	125.09	