

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3359
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 2021 / SRAVANA 18, 1943 (SAKA)
FINANCIAL PACKAGE FOR HILLY STATES**

No. 3359 Shri Kishan Kapoor:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any special financial package proposed to be provided by the Union Government to the hilly States to revitalise the most affected tourism industry during the Covid-19 pandemic in hilly areas like Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)**

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Government has decided to provide working capital/personal loans to Regional Level Tourist Guides recognised by Ministry of Tourism and Tourist Guides recognised by the State Governments; and Travel and Tourism Stakeholders (TTS) recognized by Ministry of Tourism. This includes such Guides and TTSs of the hilly States/ areas like Himachal Pradesh.
