

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1029  
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021**

**NUMBER OF FOREIGN VISITORS IN CHHATTISGARH**

**†1029. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI:**

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

- (a) whether any rise has been registered in the number of foreign tourists in Chhatisgarh and other States during the last three years;**
- (b) if so, the estimated number of foreign tourists visited Chhatisgarh during the last three years;**
- (c) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to provide adequate infrastructure facilities in every State to cater the needs of foreign as well as domestic tourists; and**
- (d) if so, the details of the steps taken in Chhatisgarh as it has enormous tourism potential?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

**(a) & (b): Ministry of Tourism compiles annual data on Foreign Tourists Visits (FTVs) based on the information received from State/UTs. Number of FTVs in Chhattisgarh during 2017 to 2019 are as follows:**

<b>Foreign Tourists Visits</b>		
<b>year 2017</b>	<b>year 2018</b>	<b>year 2019</b>
<b>6701</b>	<b>14399</b>	<b>6817</b>

**Details for other State/UTs are given in Annexure I.**

**(c)& (d): Development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State/UTs. However, Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance under the schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. Submission of project proposals by the State Government/UTs and its sanctioning is a continuous process. The projects are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier. The details of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD scheme in Chhattisgarh is given at Annexure-II.**

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**ANNEXURE-I****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1029 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021 REGARDING NUMBER OF FOREIGN VISITORS IN CHHATTISGARH****DETAILS OF FOREIGN TOURISTS VISITS (FTV) DURING 2017 TO 2019 ALONG WITH ANNUAL GROWTH RATE FOR CHHATTISGARH AND OTHER STATES/UTS**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>States/UTs *</b>	<b>Foreign Tourists Visits (FTV) 2017</b>	<b>Foreign Tourists Visits (FTV) 2018</b>	<b>Foreign Tourists Visits (FTV) 2019</b>	<b>Growth 2018/17</b>	<b>Growth 2019/18</b>
1	A&N Island	15313	15242	16206	-0.46	6.32
2	Andhra Pradesh	271362	281083	280356	3.58	-0.26
3	Arunachal Pradesh	7147	7653	7825	7.08	2.25
4	Assam \$	21760	15592	26878	-28.35	72.38
5	Bihar	1082705	1087971	1093141	0.49	0.48
6	Chandigarh	31832	39681	44132	24.66	11.22
7	Chhattisgarh	6701	14399	6817	114.88	-52.66
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1908	1608	1666	-15.72	3.61
9	Daman & Diu	5535	5694	5703	2.87	0.16
10	Delhi #	2740502	2740502	2983436		8.86
11	Goa	842220	933841	937113	10.88	0.35
12	Gujarat	448853	513113	595607	14.32	16.08
13	Haryana	193381	73977	48046	-61.75	-35.05
14	Himachal Pradesh	470992	356568	382876	-24.29	7.38
15	Jharkhand	170987	175801	176043	2.82	0.14
16	J&K	79765	139520	57920	74.91	-58.49
17	Karnataka	498148	543716	608754	9.15	11.96
18	Kerala	1091870	1096407	1189771	0.42	8.52
19	Lakshadweep	1027	1313	820	27.85	-37.55
20	Ladakh			38652		
20	Madhya Pradesh	359119	375476	327958	4.55	-12.66

<b>21</b>	<b>Maharashtra #</b>	<b>5078514</b>	<b>5078514</b>	<b>5528704</b>		<b>8.86</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>3497</b>	<b>6391</b>	<b>13608</b>	<b>82.76</b>	<b>112.92</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>12051</b>	<b>18114</b>	<b>25813</b>	<b>50.31</b>	<b>42.50</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>1155</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>2249</b>	<b>-16.28</b>	<b>132.57</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>4166</b>	<b>5010</b>	<b>5577</b>	<b>20.26</b>	<b>11.32</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>100014</b>	<b>110818</b>	<b>115128</b>	<b>10.80</b>	<b>3.89</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Puducherry</b>	<b>131407</b>	<b>141133</b>	<b>149919</b>	<b>7.40</b>	<b>6.23</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>1108635</b>	<b>1200969</b>	<b>1101343</b>	<b>8.33</b>	<b>-8.30</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>1609963</b>	<b>1754348</b>	<b>1605560</b>	<b>8.97</b>	<b>-8.48</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>49111</b>	<b>71172</b>	<b>133388</b>	<b>44.92</b>	<b>87.42</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>4860455</b>	<b>6074345</b>	<b>6866327</b>	<b>24.97</b>	<b>13.04</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>251846</b>	<b>318154</b>	<b>323326</b>	<b>26.33</b>	<b>1.63</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>69899</b>	<b>102861</b>	<b>154405</b>	<b>47.16</b>	<b>50.11</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>3556204</b>	<b>3780752</b>	<b>4745181</b>	<b>6.31</b>	<b>25.51</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>133725</b>	<b>151320</b>	<b>152273</b>	<b>13.16</b>	<b>0.63</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>1574915</b>	<b>1617105</b>	<b>1656145</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>2.41</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>26886684</b>	<b>28851130</b>	<b>31408666</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>8.86</b>

**Source: State/ Union Territory Tourism Departments.**

**P: Provisional, \$: Revised figure, #: Data for 2017 is repeated for 2018 and 2019 data is estimated by applying all India growth rate for 2019/18 on 2018 data**

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**ANNEXURE-II****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) & (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1029 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021 REGARDING NUMBER OF FOREIGN VISITORS IN CHHATTISGARH****Details of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD scheme in Chhattisgarh till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020****(Rs. in crore)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Name of Scheme</b>	<b>Project cost</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar- Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- Nathiya Nawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.</b>	<b>Swadesh Darshan</b>	<b>96.10</b>	<b>2015-16</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Rajnandgaon, Dongargarh, Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>PRASHAD</b>	<b>43.33</b>	<b>2020-21</b>

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