

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN TAMIL NADU  
N.T. SHANMUGAM

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

- (a) whether the Government propose to convert the Vellore Fort of Tamil Nadu into a Tourist Hotel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps the Government propose to take to focus attention on the potential role of tourism in Vellore District of Tamil Nadu?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF TOURISM, STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME MPLEMENTATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): In order to tap tourism potential in Vellore District, State Government of TamilNadu has taken up refurbishment & integrated development of Vellore Fort by way of providing illumination, tourist information centre, landscaping/gardening, construction of Yatri Niwas and promotion of nature trails at Elagiri.