

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:425
ANSWERED ON:21.04.2003
DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM
AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of tourism circuits set up during the Ninth Plan and proposed for Tenth Plan, State-wise; and
- (b) the assistance earmarked by the Government for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) and (b): A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.425 TO BE ANSWERED 21.04.2003 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM

(a): Twenty one travel circuits in the country were identified but no circuit was sanctioned in the Ninth Five Year Plan. A scheme for Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits has been introduced in the Tenth Five Year Plan. Development works have been sanctioned in the following 7 circuits during 2002-2003:-

- (i) Vaishali-Bodhgaya-Rajgir-Nalanda- Varanasi
- (ii) Chandigarh- Kullu Manali-Lahaul/Spiti-Leh (Route I & II))
- (iii) Gwalior-Shivpuri-Chanderi-Orcha-Khajuraho-Jhansi-Bhopal-Sanchi and surrounding Buddhist areas-Bhimbetka-Pachmarhi-Kanha-Jabalpur (Bhedaghat)
- (iv) Bombay-Alibagh (Mandva) - Muradjanjira-Ganapatipule-Vijaydurg-Mithibad-Kunkeshwar-Mochetmad-Sindhudurg-Tarkarli-Shiroda-Savantwadi-Amboli-Goa-Coastal Karnataka-Bekal
- (v) Cochin-Kumarakom (Backwaters) - Kottayam-Quilon-Trivandrum (Kovalam)
- (vi) Shillong-Guwahati-Kaziranga-Tezpur- Bhalakpung-Tawang (Arunachal Pradesh)-Majuli-Sibsagar-Kohima.
- (vii) Jaipur-Jodhpur-Jaisalmer-Bikaner- Shekhawati-Jaipur.

(b): An allocation of Rs.885.00 crores for Tenth Five Year Plan has been indicated by the Planning Commission for this scheme.