

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

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KERALA IN SPECIAL TOURISM ZONE
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any proposal to include Kerala in the `Special Tourism Zone`; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith assistance provided for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) & (b): Bekal in the State of Kerala was identified as a Special Tourism Area as per the then scheme of the Department of Tourism. Kerala State have formed Bekal Development Authority for this purpose. A project for integrated development of Bekal was sanctioned for central financial assistance of Rs.190 lakhs during 1991-92.