

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6192
ANSWERED ON:05.05.2003
KUMARAKAM PACKAGE
P. RAJENDRAN

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

(a) whether the Hon'ble Prime Minister had announced Kumarakam Package during his visit to Kerala during the year 2000 to promote tourism in the State; and

(b) if so, the progress made therein so far and the amount sanctioned and utilised by the State Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): During his visit to Kumarakam on 26.12.2000, the Hon'ble Prime Minister had announced that there is immense scope for further development of tourism in the State. There is a need especially to promote high value tourism and to protect the State's ecology. The Centre will extend full support to any proposal that the State Government brings for the development of infrastructure and facilities for tourism.

(b): Necessary information is given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6192 ANSWERED ON 5.5.2003 REGARDING KUMARAKAM PACKAGE.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TOURISM PROJECTS SANCTIONED FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN KERALA AFTER THE VISIT OF THE HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER

Sr.No.	Name of the project (Rs. in lakhs)	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)	Amount Released
1.	Improvements to road streetlighting in Mattancherry to Synagogue	15.00	4.50
2.	Improvements to river ghats at Shankarcharya	25.00	7.50
3.	Production of CD Roms	40.75	36.67
4.	Touch screen kiosks and production of CD roms on Kerala	42.00	37.80
5.	Development of watersports walkway at Veli	50.00	15.00
6.	Wayside amenities at Punolur	50.00	15.00
7.	Eastfort in Thiruvananthapuram Museum and improvements to surroundings	50.00	15.00
8.	Walkway along backwater shore	57.00	16.10
9.	Development of jetties in Kochi backwater	100.21	50.00
10.	Water-sport equipments and power boats	245.00	99.00
11.	Southern circuit		

(i) Pathway lighting and signages at Kovalam

(ii) Development of Highmast Lighting and Signages at Varkala

(iii) Restoration of East Fort heritage area at Thiruvananthapuram

(iv) Refurbishment of Travancore Palace

(v) Facilitation centre at Kochi

(vi) Construction of boat jetty complex at Ernakulam

(vii) Pay & Use toilets at Kumarkam 780.36 780.36

12. Elephant festival 5.00 4.00

13. National Boat Show at Kochi 15.00 15.00