

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1025
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RELIGIOUS TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to promote religious tourism;
- (b) if so, the schemes formulated therefor, State-wise; and
- (c) the funds allocated/released to State Governments for the purpose, if any, during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

- (a): The Department of Tourism promotes tourist places of national and international importance including important religious centres.
- (b): The following schemes have been formulated in the 10th Plan for development of tourism infrastructure in the country:-
 - (i) Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits.
 - (ii) Products/Infrastructure and Destination Development.
 - (iii) Assistance for Large Revenue Generating Projects.
- (c): Details of funds allocated/released to States/ UT Governments are as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

Year No. of Projectssanctioned AmountSanctioned AmountReleased so far

2000-01	363	86.87	46.81
2001-02	209	56.09	33.19
2002-03	212	111.21	86.81