

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any tourism development schemes to associate religious and cultural heritage, nature and arts creations and special knowledge of indigenous medicines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken and proposed to be taken to implement these schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) and (b): Development of tourism is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Governments/ UT Administrations. However, the Department of Tourism also extends financial assistance/sanctions projects at tourist places of national and international importance.

The new approach is to synthesize elements of tourism, culture, clean civic life and healthy environment at important tourist places including places associated with religions, culture, nature, arts, etc.

(c): Details of projects sanctioned in the country during 2002-03 and 2003-04 (upto 29.11.2003) are as under:-

Year	No. of Projects	Amount Sanctioned
	(Rs. in crores)	
2002-03	212	111.21
2003-04 (upto 29.11.2003)	91	103.88