

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6027

ANSWERED ON:05.05.2005

ENTRY FEE FOR VIEWING TAJ DURING NIGHT

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a considerable decrease in number of people visiting Taj Mahal during night;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to reduce the entry fee for viewing Taj during night; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a)to(b) The Supreme Court of India had permitted night viewing of Taj Mahal in November, 2004. The number of visitors since then is annexed.

(c)&(d) No, Sir. The rate of entry fee for night viewing of Taj Mahal is as follows:

Indian	-	Rs.510/- per head
Others	-	Rs.750/- per head
Children (from 03-15 years)	-	Rs.500/- per head

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a to b) TO THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6027 FOR 5.5.2005

NUMBER OF VISITORS FOR NIGHT VIEWING OF TAJ MAHAL FROM NOVEMBER, 2004 TO APRIL, 2005

Month & Year Adults Child Total numbers of visitors
(Indian + Foreigner) for night viewing of
Taj Mahal

Indian Foreigner

November, 2004	433	168	47	648
December, 2004	431	174	134	739
January, 2005	276	351	21	648
Feb. 2005	187	385	20	592
March, 2005	324	211	57	592
April, 2005	293	54	59	406