

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1160
ANSWERED ON:01.03.2006
YOUTH HOSTELS
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for setting up of Youth Hostels in the country;
- (b) the details of Youth Hostels constructed during the last five years, year-wise and location-wise;
- (c) whether construction of a large number of Youth Hostels is pending for long;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of projects approved during the last five years and the present status thereof, location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ AND YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) The construction of Youth Hostels is a joint venture between the Central Government and State Government. While the State Government provides fully developed land free of cost with approach road, boundary wall, and provision for electricity and water, the Central Government bears the entire cost of construction. The selection of a site for a Youth Hostel depends on factors such as its historical and cultural value; being a local centre of higher education; State capital; place of tourist importance; being a tourist destination; scenic beauty; hill station; availability of a place which offers facilities for youth activities, and port of entry.

(b) Year-wise and location-wise details of youth hostels constructed during the last five years are as below:

Year Location

2000-2001 Nil
2001-2002 Nagarjuna Sagar, Andhra Pradesh
2002-2003 Buldana, Maharashtra
2003-2004 Gangtok, Sikkim Warangal, Andhra Pradesh
2004-2005 Nil

(c) & (d) : The details of approved youth hostel projects, which are pending for construction, are given at Annex. I.

(e) The details of projects approved during the last five years and the present status thereof are given at Annex. II.

ANNEX. I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) AND (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1160 FOR 01.03.2006 ASKED BY SHRIMATI JYOTIRMOYEE SIKDAR REGARDING YOUTH HOSTELS

Sl. No	Name of State/UT	No. of approved Youth Hostel (s)	Location of Youth Hostel
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| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 5 | Cuddapah; Karimnagar; Medak; Vizianagaram; and East Godavari |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 1 | Roing. |
| 3. | Bihar | 1 | Kishanganj |
| 4. | Chhatisgarh | 1 | Raipur |
| 5. | Gujarat | 4 | Junagarh; Bhavnagar; Saputara; and Pavagadh |
| 6. | Haryana | 1 | Rewari |

7	Himachal Pradesh	1	Dharmshala
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	1	Leh
9.	Jharkhand	1	Hazaribagh
10.	Karnataka	2	Karwar and Sogalu,
11.	Maharashtra	1	Navegaon
12.	Madhya Pradesh	6	Khajuraho; Indore; Gwalior; Mandu , Chitrakoot and Orchha;
13.	Manipur	3	Thoubal, Bishnupur and Churchandpur
14.	Meghalaya	1	Cherrapunji
15.	Mizoram	1	Kolasib.
16.	Orissa	1	Bhubaneswar
17.	Punjab	3	Jalandhar; Anandpur Sahib. Mukatsar
18.	Rajasthan	1	Kota
19.	Tamil Nadu	4	Udhagamandalam (Ooty); Rameshwaram ,Coimbatore and Kanya Kumari.
20.	Tripura	1	Udaipur
21.	Uttar Pradesh	5	Allahabad; Barekku; Ballia, Varanasi and Khusinagar
22.	Uttaranchal	3	Almorah ;Badrinath and Kedarnath
23.	West Bengal	2	Kaikhali and Bakkhali
	TOTAL	50	

ANNEX. II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1160 FOR 01.03.2006 ASKED BY SHRIMATI JYOTIRMOYEE SIKDAR REGARDING YOUTH HOSTELS

Year Place/State STATUS

2000-2001 Rewari, Haryana Construction is nearing completion
 Sirsa, Haryana Project completed during November 2005.
 Yamunanagar, Project completed during Haryana November 2005.
 Anandpur Sahib, Deficiencies of the Revised Punjab estimate of the project submitted by CPWD have been conveyed on 31.1.06 for rectification.
 Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu Plan/drawings/estimates are still awaited
 Mukatsar, Punjab Original site is no longer available and an alternative site is being located by the State Government.
 Rameshwaram, Tamil Nadu Rectified plan/ estimate of the project are still awaited.
 Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu Plan/drawings/estimates are still awaited.

2001-2002 Badrinath, Project is under Uttranchal construction.
 Ooty, Tamil Nadu -do-
 Kedarnath, Plan/drawings/estimates are Uttaranchal till awaited.
 Kolasai, Mizoram -do-

2002-2003 Hazaribagh, -do-
 Jharkhand

2003-2004 Udaipur, Rajasthan Project completed during November 2005
 Kota, Rajasthan Construction is nearing completion.
 Mandu, Madhya Pradesh Plan/drawings/estimates are still awaited.

2004-2005 Cuddapah, Andhra Construction yet to start.
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 Karimnagar, -do- -do-
 Medak -do- -do-
 Vizianagaram, -do- -do-
 East Godavari, - do- -do-