GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM AND CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4212 ANSWERED ON:18.05.2006 CIRCUIT DEVELOPMENT SCHEME Singh Shri Ganesh

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for circuit development scheme from the Government of Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b) and (c): Identification of places of tourist interest/spots is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned. However, the Department of Tourism provides funds on the basis of project proposals prioritized for grant of central financial assistance every year for tourism infrastructure development after detailed consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations and subject to availability of funds under the respective head during a specific year.

During the 10th Plan period, the following amounts have been sanctioned for development of tourism projects in the State of Madhya Pradesh:

Year Amount sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)

2002-03 801.23 2003-04 670.06 2004-05 1547.19 2005-06 3047.39