

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

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FOREIGN TOURISTS VISITED DELHI  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of foreign tourists visited Delhi during each of the last three years; and
- (b) the funds sanctioned and released for the development of tourists spots in Delhi during each of the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

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

(a): The estimated foreign tourist visits to Delhi during the last three years 2003, 2004 and 2005 are 6.94 lakh, 8.40 lakh and 15.12 lakh respectively.

(b): Funds are allocated to State Governments every year based on project proposals received from State Government, and keeping in view the inter-se priority, and availability of funds. Central Financial Assistance sanctioned by Department of Tourism to Delhi during the last 3 years under its various schemes of infrastructure development etc. is as follows:

Year    Amount Sanctioned    AmountReleased  
(Rupees in lakh)    (Rupees in lakh)

2002-03	504.00	484.60
2003-04	3323.68	3229.53
2004-05	628.85	519.00
2005-06	20.00	20.00