

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TOURISM PROJECTS IN GUJARAT

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any project proposals from the State Government of Gujarat for development of tourism;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial assistance provided during the last three years, till date;
- (c) the details of the number of projects which have been cleared so far till date;
- (d) the details of the number of projects which have not been cleared or pending till date; and
- (e) the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : Development and promotion of places of tourist interest is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance on the basis of project proposals prioritized in consultation with the State Governments.

During the year 2007-08, the following project proposals were received from the Government of Gujarat:

Sr.No. Name of the project

1. Destination development of Champaner-Pavagadh
2. Destination development of Patan
3. Destination development of Ambaji
4. Integrated development of tourist facilities at Dev-Ni-Mori
5. Mega circuit: Development of Dwarka
6. Navratri Festival
7. Tarnetar Fair, 2007

8. International Kite Festival, 2008

9. Sharad Utsav, 2008

10. IT project

The project proposals, which are complete in all respect, are appraised on inter-se-priority basis, as per guidelines of the scheme and funds released, subject to availability under the respective head.

During the year 2007-08, the following project proposals have been sanctioned to Gujarat: (Rs. in lakh)

Sr.No.	Name of the project	Amount
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1.	Development of Ambardi for Wildlife Interpretation Park in District Amreli	474.25
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2.	Development of Village Nageswar, District Jamnagar	65.33
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During the last three years, 14 projects worth Rs.2594.16 lakh were sanctioned for development of tourism to the State of Gujarat.