

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:829  
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DEVELOPMENT OF MAJULI ISLAND  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has not sanctioned any further amount since 2003 for the development of the Majuli Island in Assam as a heritage and Eco-Tourism destination;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to provide any special package to the Government of Assam for further development of the Island to attract more tourists; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourism is undertaken primarily by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for tourism related projects which are identified in consultation and interaction with them under following schemes.

1. Product/Infrastructure Development of Destinations/Circuits
2. Assistance to Large Revenue Generating Projects.
3. Information Technology
4. Fairs/Festival and Events

Ministry of Tourism, Government of India had sanctioned a project-Development of Heritage & Ecotourism Resort at Majuli for Rs. 382.25 lakh to the Government of Assam in the year 2002-03.

In the current financial year, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned an amount of Rs.2107.61 lakh to Government of Assam for various tourism infrastructure projects.