

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ROPEWAY TO THE CHAMUNDI HILLS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to provide Ropeway to the Chamundi Hills from its base to promote tourism;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM(SHRI SULTAN AHMED)

(a) to (c): The development and promotion of tourism is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations themselves. However, Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance for tourism projects, identified in consultation and interaction with them, subject to availability of funds and inter-se-priority under its various schemes.

The Government of Karnataka had submitted three project proposals on 18.11.2004 for establishment of Passenger Ropeway at Chamundi Hills, Jog Falls and Lalbagh Gardens in Karnataka at a total cost of Rs.3130.75 lakh under the Large Revenue Generating Scheme. The projects were not complete in all respects as per the scheme guidelines and were not sanctioned for grant of central financial assistance.

No fresh proposal for ropeway to the Chamundi Hills has been received from the Government of Karnataka during 2009-10.

However, Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned projects worth Rs.109.95 crore during the first three years of the 11th Plan for the integrated development and promotion of tourism in the State of Karnataka.