

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government to allow 104 restricted Himalayan peaks for trekking in order to give boost to tourism in Jammu and Kashmir including Leh and Ladakh region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which this step of the Union Government is likely to help the border State to promote tourism and their economy?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The Government of India has given security clearance for opening of 104 additional peaks in Jammu and Kashmir (Leh area) subject to stipulations and clearances from State Government authorities, Ministry of Home Affairs, and other agencies concerned as per prescribed procedure. The opening of additional peaks will help in positioning the State as adventure tourism destination.