GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1025 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2010 **ECO-TOURISM** Viswanathan Shri P.; Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the central financial assistance released to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations (UTs) for the development of eco-tourism during each of the last three years and the current year, State- wise and Project-wise;
- (b) whether several State Government/UTs have not even fully utilized the funds during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds that remain unutilized, State- wise, Project-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to ensure proper growth of eco-tourism in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourism including Eco Tourism is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, the Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for project proposals identified in consultation with them under the various schemes of the Ministry, subject to availability of funds, and inter-se priority and adherence to scheme guidelines. The details of projects sanctioned during the last three years and current year is at annexure. Implementation of the project is the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory Administration. The Ministry of Tourism monitors the progress through review meetings and field visits from time to time. The final installment is released after the receipt of utilization certificate, completion certificate and Management Agreement from the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. To sensitize the stakeholders and State Governments/Union Territory Administrations towards growth of Eco Tourism in a sustainable manner, the Ministry of Tourism has taken initiatives like "Tigers: Our National Beauties" and organisation of the National Workshop on Sustainable Tourism Criteria for India.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED OUESTION NO.1025 ANSWERED ON 30.07.2010 REGARDING ECO TOURISM

PROJECTS SANCTIONED DURING THE ELEVENTH FIVE YEAR PLAN (2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 AND UP TO 30.06.2010)

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(Rs.in crore)
Sr.No State Number of Project
                                   Amount
         Sanctioned
1 Andhra Pradesh 31 146.47
2 Arunachal Pradesh 41 111.21
3 Andman & Nicobar 0 0.00
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4 Assam 15 44.55
5 Bihar 15 39.23
6 Chandigarh 14 27.82
7 Chattisgarh 6 24.27
8 Dadra & Nagar Haveli 3 0.24
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9 Daman & Diu 1 0.12 10 Delhi 20 72.16 11 Goa 3 48.14

12 Gujarat 12 34.30 24 59.72

13 Haryana 13 Haryana 24 59.72 14 Himachal Pradesh 28 76.78 15 Jammu and Kashmir 93 159.52

16 Jharkhand 10 11.55

- 17 Kerala 30 127.45
 18 Karnataka 22 105.20
 19 Lakshadweep 1 7.82
 20 Maharashtra 11 58.90
 21 Manipur 25 73.44
 22 Meghalaya 15 33.86
 23 Mizoram 18 44.53
 24 Madhya Pradesh 39 125.43
 25 Nagaland 48 72.65
 26 Orissa 30 99.69
 27 Puducherry 13 24.21

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 28 Punjab 7 33.13
 29 Rajasthan 20 91.71
 30 Sikkim 72 162.15
 31 Tamil Nadu 38 116.53
 32 Tripura 32 35.93
 33 Uttar Pradesh 22 75.79
 34 Uttarakhand 8 66.04
 35 West Bengal 29 94.48
 GRAND TOTAL 796 2305.02