

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO TOURISM SECTOR FROM ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided financial/technical assistance to India for the tourism sector during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and
- (c) the States where said financial/technical assistance has been utilised?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Asian Development Bank (ADB) has provided the following Technical Assistance (TA)/ Projects Preparatory Technical Assistance (PPTA)/ Regional Economic Technical Assistance (RETA) during the last three years and the current year:
PPTA of US \$ 0.5 million has been provided on grant basis for Project Processing and capacity Development for nation wide study.
PPTA of US \$ 1.0 million on grant basis for Inclusive Tourism Infrastructure Development Project for the states of Punjab, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.
RETA of US \$ 2.0 million on grant basis for Improving Connectivity and Destination Management of Natural and Cultural Resources in the South Asia Sub-region for the state of Sikkim.

Further a loan assistance of US \$ 20.0 million from ADB has been negotiated for South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project for the state of Sikkim.