GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2281 ANSWERED ON:06.08.2010 DEVELOPMENT OF CAMP SITES Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is running any scheme for development of camp sites particularly for the domestic tourists having low budget;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the financing pattern of the said scheme; and
- (c) the funds sanctioned, released and utilised by the State Governments during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India formulated and circulated the Guidelines on 15th July, 2008 for setting up of camp sites, in order to promote and facilitate Eco-Adventure and Pilgrimage Tourism. Development of camp sites is covered under the existing Scheme of Product/ Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits. Under this scheme, the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance for tourism projects including camp sites based on the proposals received from them subject to availability of funds and inter-se priority.

The details of funds sanctioned for development of camp sites since the issuance of the guidelines are as under:

Haryana - Rs. 1031.57 lakh Himachal Pradesh - Rs. 90.00 lakh

No project for development of camp sites has been sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh.