GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2705 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2010 YOUTH HOSTELS Yadav Shri M. Anjan Kumar

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria to set up a youth hostel in the country;
- (b) the number of youth hostels set up/functional in the country, State-wise and location-wise;
- (c) the total funds earmarked/allocated for construction of youth hostels during each of the last three years and the current year; Statewise:
- (d) the number of proposals received by the Union Government from the various State Governments to set up/construct youth hostels in their States, the present status of the said proposals and the time by which the pending proposals are likely to be cleared, Statewise and location-wise and
- (e) the number of youth hostels likely to be set up/constructed during the current year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PRATIK PRAKASHBAPU PATIL)

- (a): The selection of a place for construction of a Youth Hostel depends on its historical and cultural value, education centre, place of tourist importance, scenic beauty and hill station, places which offer facilities for youth activities and port of entry.]
- (b): At present, there are 68 Youth Hostels in the country. The details are as under:
- S. No. Name of State/UT No. of Youth Hostel Location of Youth Hostel (s) $\,$
- 1. A&N Islands 1 Port Blair
- Andhra Pradesh 7 Nagarjunasagar, Secunderabad, Tirupathi, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram, Warangal
- 3 Bihar 1 Patna
- 4. Goa 2 Padam Mapusa, Panaji
- 5. Gujarat 1 Gandhinagar
- 6. Haryana 7 Bhiwani, Gurgaon, Kurukshetra, Rewari, Panchkula, Sirsa, Yamuna Nagar
- 7 Himachal Pradesh 1 Dalhousie
- 8. J & K 3 Patnitop, Srinagar, Udhampur

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9. Karnataka 4 Hassan, Mysore, Sogalu, Tirtharameshwar
10. Kerala 3 Kochi (Ernakulam), Kozhikode (Calicut),
      Thiruvananthapuram
11. Madhya Pradesh 3 Bhopal, Jabalpur, Khajuraho
12. Maharashtra 1 Aurangabad
13. Orissa 4 Gopalpur-on-Sea, Joshipur, Koraput, Puri
14. Pondicherry 1 Pondicherry
15. Punjab 5 Amritsar, Patiala, Ropar, Sangrur, Tarn Taran
16. Rajasthan 4 Ajmer, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur
17. Tamil Nadu 5 Chennai, Madurai, Ooty, Thanjavaur,
      Tiruchirapalli (Trichy)
18. Uttar Pradesh 2 Agra, Lucknow
19. Uttarakhand 4 Badrinath, Mussoorie, Nainital,
      Uttarkashi
20. West Bengal 1 Darjeeling
21. Assam 2 Guwahati, Tezpur
22. Manipur 1 Imphal
23. Meghalaya 1 Shillong
24. Mizoram 1 Aizwal
25. Nagaland 1 Dimapur
26. Sikkim 1 Gangtok
27. Tripura 1 Agartala
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Total: 68

follows:

S. No. Year-wise earmarked/allocated of funds (Rupees in Crore)

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1. 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 2.00 3.50 4.00 5.00
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The funds under the Youth Hostel Scheme are allocated to the individual Youth Hostel.

(d): At present, there are five youth hostels under construction and likely to be completed by the next financial year, i.e., by the end of the 11th five year Plan. These are as follows:

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    No. Name of State/UT No. of Youth Hostel Location of Youth Hostel (s)
    Andhra Pradesh 1 Kadapa
    Punjab 1 Jalandhar
    Arunachal Pradesh 1 Roing
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4. Manipur 2 Thoubal, Churachandpur

Total: 5

(e): Out of five under construction Youth Hostels, three Youth Hostels are likely to be completed during the current financial year.