

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF MEGA DESTINATION AND CIRCUITS

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Scheme for Development of Mega Destinations and Circuits;
- (b) the criteria adopted for selection of any tourist spot under the said Scheme;
- (c) the details of the tourism projects received by the Union Government from various State Governments for the grant of Central financial assistance under the said Scheme, State-wise; and
- (d) the follow-up action taken thereon, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): The Ministry of Tourism, at present, has identified 37 mega destinations/ circuits in consultation with the concerned State Governments, on the basis of footfalls and their future tourism potential. The details of these mega destinations/circuits are at Annexure.

For each identified mega destinations and circuit, the Ministry of Tourism contribution as central financial assistance is capped at Rs.25.00 crore and Rs.50.00 crore respectively under the scheme of "Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits".