

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of tourist arrivals into India during the current year so far in comparison to the last five years;
- (b) whether there has been an upward of downward trend in domestic tourism across India in terms of both, per capita spending and number of tourists over the last five - years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there has been an increase in the capital investment in the Tourism Sector over the said period;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, year - wise;
- (f) whether there has been decrease in tourist visits to prominent tourist destinations across India which have been made a terror target over the said period;
- (g) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken/ proposed by his Ministry to ensure better security arrangements in place at above referred tourist destinations in co-ordination with the Union and State Home Ministries; and
- (h) the manner in which his Ministry seeks to assure domestic and international tourists of fool-proof security arrangements at various tourist destinations across India?

Answer

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

(a): The Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India during January - June 2011 and the corresponding period of the last five years are given below:

Year FTAs in India % change over the
(in million) corresponding period of
previous year
Jan - June Jan - June

2006	2.13	
2007	2.45	14.8%
2008	2.61	6.6%
2009	2.42	-7.3%
2010	2.63	8.9%
2011	2.92	10.9%

(b) and (c): The numbers of Domestic Tourist Visits (DTV's) in India during the last five years were as follows:

Year DTVs (in million) % change over
previous Year

2006	462.31	18.0%
2007	526.43	13.9%
2008	563.03	7.0%
2009	668.80	18.8%
2010	740.21	10.7%

The data on per capita spending by the Domestic Tourists for all these years are not available.

(d) and (e): As per the Tourism Satellite Account of India 2002 – 03 the share of Tourism in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of India during 2002 – 03 to 2007 – 08 was as follows:

Year % contribution in GDP

2002 - 03	5.83%
2003 - 04	6.03%
2004 - 05	6.20%
2005 - 06	6.05%
2006 - 07	5.99%
2007 - 08	5.92%

This information is not available for the years after 2007–08.

(f) to (h): Ministry of Tourism does not maintain data on tourist visits to individual destinations. However, the decline of 2.2% in FTAs in India in 2009 over 2008 may be due to various reasons including the global financial slowdown, terrorist attacks and H1N1 pandemic, etc.

'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. As such, prevention of crime, including crime against tourists is the primary responsibility of the State Governments/ Union Territory (UT) Administrations. Ministry of Tourism does not compile the data on crimes, including crime against tourists. However, in order to ensure the safety and security of foreign tourists, Ministry of Tourism has advised all the State Governments/ UT Administrations to deploy Tourist Police in the States / UTs. Some of the State Governments have deployed tourist police in one form or the other.

Further, the guidelines for formation of Tourist Security Organisation (s) comprising ex-servicemen, formulated by the Ministry of Tourism in consultation with the Ministry of Defence, Home and Directorate General of Resettlements have been forwarded to the State Governments/ UT Administrations.

In addition, the Ministry of Tourism along with stakeholders has adopted the Code of Conduct for "Safe & Honourable Tourism" which is a set of guidelines to encourage tourism activities to be undertaken with respect for basic rights like dignity, safety and freedom from exploitation of both tourists and local residents in particular women and children.