

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4724
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NATIONAL DESERT PARK
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the desert area of Rajasthan has been declared as National Desert Park;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to develop the park?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (KUMARI SELJA)

- (a) and (b): Ministry of Tourism does not declare any area as National Park, including Desert Park. However, the area of 3162 sq. kms. falling under Jaisalmer and Barmer districts has been declared as National Desert Park by the State Government of Rajasthan.
- (c): The Park has been protected to conserve the bio-diversity of the desert in the condition in which it exists at present.