

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TOURISM PARKS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to set up large number of mega tourism parks to facilitate the visiting foreign tourists in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the locations identified for setting up of the same and the facilities likely to be available in these tourism parks; and
- (c) the time by which the above tourism parks are likely to be set up?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Development and promotion of tourism including the identification of new tourism destinations and setting up of Mega Tourism Parks for holding the tourists for a longer period as well as adopting public-private partnership model for their development are primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territories (U.T.) Administrations.

Assistance from Ministry of Tourism to State Governments/U.T. Administrations in these activities may include services of consultants and financial assistance under its Plan Schemes as per the scheme guidelines, inter-se priority and subject to availability of funds. The projects to be funded by the Ministry of Tourism (MOT) are decided in the prioritization meeting with the States/UTs.

MOT has appointed a National Level Consultant (NLC) to develop action plans for setting up of Tourism Parks including their locations as well as facilities to be included and integrated development of tourist destinations/circuits in consultation with States/UTs.