GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:426 ANSWERED ON:20.11.2009 TOURISM PROJECTS Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the on-going tourism projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the review State-wise and project-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons for not reviewing such projects;
- (d) the growth perception of Tourism Industry for the next five years; and
- (e) the details of investments being made in the on-going and new projects including private sector and Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) Project, State- wise and project-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM(KUMARI SELJA)

- (a) to (c): Implementation and monitoring of tourism projects sanctioned by the Ministry is the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. They have also been advised to constitute State level monitoring committee for review and timely implementation of the projects. However, the Ministry of Tourism also monitors the physical and financial progress of the projects through site visits and review meetings/conferences which is an on-going process.
- (d): United Nations World Tourism Organisation has projected a growth rate of-6% to -4% for the calendar year 2009.
- (e): The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 106 tourism projects for Rs.398.33 crore in various States/Union Territories for development and promotion of tourism during the current financial year up-to September, 2009. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows in hotel and tourism industry of the country during the period from April, 2000 to August, 2009 are estimated as US\$ 1614.61 million.