## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:47 ANSWERED ON:22.02.2013 PASSENGER INFORMATION KIOSKS AT TOURIST PLACES Mahato Shri Narahari;Tirkey Shri Manohar

## Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of touch screen passenger information kiosks installed at various tourist places in the country during each of the last three years and the current year along with the number of Kiosks out of them in working condition, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated/released and utilised for the purpose during the said period along with the proposed allocation for 2013-14, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the extent to which it is helpful in providing comprehensive information to tourists?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI)

(a) to (c): Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to various State Governments/Union Territory Administration for various tourism projects prioritized every year in consultation with them subject to availability of funds, inter-se priority and adherence to the scheme guidelines.

The following CFA has been sanctioned for the installation of Kiosks to various State Governments/UT Administrations.:-

- i. Rs.19.69 Lakh to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh during 2010-11.
- ii. Rs.8.55 Lakh to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh during 2011-12.
- iii.Rs.50.00 Lakh to the State Government of West Bengal during 2010-11.
- iv. Rs.50.00 Lakhs to the State Government of Assam during 2011-12.

The responsibility for running the Kiosks lies with the respective State Government.