

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3185
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COMMITTEE ON TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an Inter-Ministerial Coordination Committee has been constituted to facilitate resolution of Inter-Ministerial issues involved in the development of tourism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and composition thereof;
- (c) the progress made by the Committee indicating the details of its meetings held during the last year and the current year till date;
- (d) the success achieved by the Committee in resolving inter-ministerial and other issues involved in the development of tourism in the country;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to give emphasis to the tourism sector during the 12th Five Year Plan; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Yes, Madam. An Inter-Ministerial Coordination Committee (IMCCTS) has been constituted under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister to facilitate resolution of Inter-Ministerial issues involved in the development of tourism in the country.

The Committee includes the Member Secretary, Planning Commission, Chairman, Railway Board, Secretaries from the Ministries of Home, Defence, External Affairs, Road Transport & Highways, Civil Aviation, Rural Development, Environment & Forest, Urban Development and Secretaries from the Departments of Revenue, Expenditure, School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Labour and Employment and Ministry of Culture. Secretary, Ministry of Tourism is the Member Convener of the Committee.

The details of the meetings of IMCCTS are given in the Annexure.

(e) & (f) During the 12th Five Year Plan, MOT have a target to increase India's share of International Tourist Arrivals to at least 1% from the existing 0.6% and to create additional employment of about 2.5 crore in the tourism sector both direct and indirect.