

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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TOURISM POLICIES BY STATES  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the State Governments including Bihar have formulated any tourism policy to develop tourist places and to attract more foreign tourists;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the status of tourism policies in different States/UTs;
- (c) whether the Union Government has approved the said policy of the State Governments; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourism, including formulation of tourism policy in States/Union Territories (UTs) is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. Ministry of Tourism offers comments on the draft tourism policies of States/UTs, if referred to it. However, States/UTs do not need approval of Ministry of Tourism for their tourism policies.

As per information available with the Ministry of Tourism, the status of tourism policies in different States/UTs is given in the Annexure.