

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST SPOTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to develop Deepar Beel, Chandduli Beel and Nilanchal Hill areas in Assam to encourage tourists/pilgrimage tourism; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(a) to (b): Development and promotion of tourism including pilgrimage tourism is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments. However, the Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to State Governments 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.

At present there is no proposal from the State Government before the Ministry of Tourism to develop Deepar Beel Chandduli Beel and Nilanchal Hill areas in Assam.