

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR TOURISM PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved certain new tourism infrastructure development projects including pilgrim tourism in various States of the country during the 12th Five Year Plan period;
- (b) if so, the details of tourism projects announced/approved during the said period for infrastructure development along with their present status and criteria fixed for approving each of these projects, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred thereon during the said period, year-wise and project-wise;
- (d) whether the World Bank and Asian Development Bank have funded certain tourism projects in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to provide special funds for promoting certain fairs and festivals and tourism projects in various States?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) to (e): The development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for various tourism projects including fairs, festivals and tourism related events prioritized every year in consultation with them subject to availability of funds, inter-se priority, liquidation of pending utilization certificates against the funds released earlier and adherence to the scheme guidelines.

State/UT wise details of projects sanctioned during the 12th Five Year Plan including fairs, festivals and tourism related events is given at Annexure-I.

(d): The details of ongoing projects funded by Asian Development Bank are given in the Annexure-II.