GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2279 ANSWERED ON:03.08.2015 Multi-Millionaire Tourist City Ahlawat Smt. Santosh

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that "Jhunjhunu" lies in the shekhawati region of Rajasthan and is home of many of the best known multi-millionaires like Birla, Piramal, Modi, Singhania, Goenka, Poddar, etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether lakhs of tourists visited "Jhunjhunu" every year to see the original Havelies of these business families;
- (d) if so, whether the Government received any proposal or planning to develop "Jhunjhunu" as "Multi Millionaires Tourist City"; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) to (b): Yes, Madam. Jhunjhunu lies in the Shekhawati region of Rajasthan. Information pertaining to Jhunjhunu being home of multi-millionaires is not available in the Ministry of Tourism.
- (c): Yes, Madam. As per details given below, lakhs of tourist visited Jhunjhunu to see tourist places which also includes Havelis of business families:

Year Domestic Foreigner Total 2012 128283 42718 171001 2013 104155 36136 140291 2014 126184 46828 173012

(d) and (e): The Ministry is not in receipt of any such proposal.
