

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

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LOSS TO TOURISM SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment of the estimated loss caused to the tourism sector due to the natural calamity that occurred in Uttarakhand in the previous year;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof including the estimated loss to the economy;
- (c) whether the Government has granted any special package for the promotion of tourism in the said State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): According to the State Government of Uttarakhand, the study undertaken by the PHD Chamber of Commerce of India (PHDCCI) reveals an estimated loss to the economy of about Rs.12,000 crore. Loss to Government tourism properties has been assessed at approximately Rs.116.00 Crore. Due to lack of access to some of the affected areas the loss to all private tourism assets could not be fully assessed so far.

(c) & (d): The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has not granted any package for the promotion of tourism in the State. However, a special financial package of Rs.100.00 crore has been announced by the Ministry of Tourism for rebuilding/building destroyed/damaged government tourism assets, out of which an amount of Rs.72.55 crore has been sanctioned with release of Rs.10.58 crore.

In addition, the Ministry has also sanctioned Central Financial Assistance of Rs.145.17 crore for various tourism infrastructure projects in Uttarakhand in 2013-14.