

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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UPGRADATION OF GANDHI ASHRAM
Kachhadia Shri Naranbhai

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal for development and upgradation of the Gandhi Ashram and its surrounding area at Ahmedabad is pending with the Government;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the delay in clearing the proposal; and
- (c) the time by which the Government is likely to sanction the said project?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The development and promotion of various tourism destinations & products is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry of Tourism, however, provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to various State Governments & Union Territory Administrations for tourism projects prioritized in consultation with them for each financial year, subject to availability of funds, inter- se-priority and adherence to scheme guidelines.

No proposal for development and upgradation of Gandhi Ashram and its surrounding areas in Ahmedabad has been prioritized by the Ministry of Tourism for grant of CFA in the financial year 2014-15.