

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:117

ANSWERED ON:01.12.2014

CENTRAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ECO TOURISM

Ering Shri Ninong; Ram Mohan Naidu Shri Kinjarapu

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

(a) whether the Government is providing any Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for projects especially focusing on eco- tourism to various States, if so, the details thereof, State/UT- wise;

(b) the details of proposals received from the States by the Government for development of tourist infrastructure and promotion of eco-tourism during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the proposals sanctioned by the Government during the said period and CFA provided so far to various States along with the funds earmarked for the purpose during the current plan period?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.117 ANSWERED ON 01.12.2014 REGARDING CENTRAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ECO-TOURISM

(a) to (c): The development and promotion of tourist destinations and products and implementation of tourism projects including Eco-Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to various State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for various tourism projects including the ones having focus on Eco-tourism, prioritized in consultation with them every year subject to availability of funds, inter-se priority and adherence to the scheme guidelines.

The details of tourism projects with a focus on Eco-Tourism for which Central Financial Assistance (CFA) has been sanctioned/released to various State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations during the last three years and the current year up to 30.09.2014 are given in the Annexure.