

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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CRITERIA TO DECLARE TOURIST SPOT
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for declaring any places as a tourist place by Government;
- (b) whether the birth place of poet laureate Vidyapeeth fulfils the said criteria;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to declare the said place as a tourist place in the future; and
- (e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be declared?

Answer

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

(a): The development and promotion of tourism in the country is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to various State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for various tourism projects 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.

(b) to (e): No such proposal has been prioritized for the current financial year.