

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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WEATHER FORECAST INFORMATION TO TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to provide prior information to tourists regarding the opening and closing timings of several tourist places/gardens in form of booklet or compact disc;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to provide information about the weather forecast of the tourist places in coordination with the Meteorological Department of India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Tourism produces promotional material from time to time and also has a promotional website to promote various tourism destinations in the country. As part of the above, wherever possible, information on opening and closing timings of important tourist places is provided.
- (c): A long Range Forecast update for 2014 Southwest monsoon rainfall was uploaded on the promotional website of the Ministry of Tourism for the information of the tourists. However, at this point of time, there is no proposal to provide information about the weather forecast of the tourist places in coordination with the Meteorological Department of India.
- (d): Does not arise.