Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism laid a statement regarding status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 145<sup>th</sup> Report of the Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture on Action Taken on the observation/recommendations contained in the 136<sup>th</sup> Report on Demands for Grants (2008-09) pertaining to the Ministry of Tourism.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SULTAN AHMED): Madam, I beg to lay this Statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 145<sup>th</sup> Report of Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture in pursuance of the direction of the hon. Speaker.

The Standing Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture presented the 145 <sup>th</sup> Report of the Committee on Action Taken by the Government on the recommendations/observations of the Committee contained in its One Thirty Sixth report on Demands for Grants (2008-2009) of Ministry of Tourism. The Committee considered and adopted the report at its meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2008 (the Report was presented to the Rajya Sabha on 19.12.2008 and also laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha on 19.12.2008).

Madam Speaker, in its Report the Standing Committee made 23 recommendations in all. Out of 23 recommendations made by the Committee, this Ministry has accepted 20 recommendations and 3 recommendations were partially accepted by the Ministry. The Action Taken Report on recommendations of the Committee has been furnished to the Rajya Sabha Secretariat vide Ministry of Tourism's O.M. dated 23.4.2009.

I also lay on the Table of the House the present status of implementation of each recommendation as Annexure.