

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2193
ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018**

SELFIE CASES

**†2193. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:
SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:
DR. BANSHILAL MAHATO:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that many accidents have happened/people got injured and then died while taking selfie/photos at tourist places and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to identify such tourist places and declare them as 'No Selfie Zone';**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard by the Government; and**
- (e) whether the Government has declared/proposes to declare Kumbh Mela at Nashik, Maharashtra as 'No Selfie Zone' to avoid any mishappening and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SHRI K. J. ALPHONS)**

(a) to (e): Ministry of Tourism has advised all State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to take following measures to safeguard tourists who intend to take selfies at tourist spots:

- (i) Identification of all such tourist spots which are prone to accidents.**
- (ii) Erection of signage warning visitors of the danger involved in taking selfies at such locations.**

- (iii) Posting of volunteers/tourist police at such identified places, if feasible.**
- (iv) Sensitization through Public Address system.**
- (v) Spreading awareness through social and other media campaigns.**
- (vi) Barricading areas, wherever possible danger is identified.**

Ministry of Tourism does not compile any data regarding number of accidents in the country while clicking selfies.

Ministry of Tourism does not issue event specific instructions to states/UTs.
