

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3196  
ANSWERED ON 05.12.2016**

**ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN TOURISTS**

**3196. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:**

**DR. BHOLA SINGH:**

**SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN:**

**SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:**

**SHRI RAJU SHETTY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has witnessed a considerable increase in foreign tourists visiting India during the current year;**
- (b) if so, the details of foreign tourists arrived India during the last three years, State-wise including Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir;**
- (c) the revenue earned therefrom along with its impact on GDP of the country;**
- (d) whether the Government has started new tourism projects and has provided special package to State Governments to attract more tourists; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

**(a): Yes, Madam.**

**(b): The number of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India during 2013, 2014, 2015 and January – October, 2016 were 6.97 million, 7.68 million, 8.03 million and 6.96 million (Provisional), respectively.**

**The Ministry of Tourism does not compile the State/UT-wise break-up of FTAs. However, the Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs), as differentiated from FTAs, to different States/UTs including the States of Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu &**

**Kashmir during 2013, 2014 and 2015 are given in Annexure-I. This information is not available for the year 2016.**

**(c): The Foreign Exchange Earnings through tourism in India during 2013, 2014, 2015 and January – October, 2016 were Rs.1,07,671 crore, Rs.1,23,320 crore, Rs.1,35,193 crore and Rs.1,24,371 crore, respectively.**

**As per 2<sup>nd</sup> Tourism Satellite Account (TSA) of India, and its subsequent estimates, the contribution of tourism to total Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country during 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 was 6.77%, 6.76%, 6.76% and 6.88% respectively. This information for the subsequent years is not available.**

**(d) and (e): The Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance for tourism projects, including those under the special package/plan announced by the Government of India to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.**

**The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned projects under special financial packages to the States of Uttarakhand, Bihar and Jammu & Kashmir, details of which are at Annexure-II. The objective of these special packages is to develop tourism infrastructure and to incentivise the tourism sector in these States for attracting foreign and domestic tourists and create employment opportunities for the local population.**

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**ANNEXURE-I****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3196 ANSWERED ON 05.12.2016 REGARDING ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN TOURISTS.**

The number of Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs) to different States/UTs for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 are as below:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/ UT</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	14742	17235	14674
2	Andhra Pradesh	69552	66333	237854
3	Arunachal Pradesh	10846	5204	5705
4	Assam	17638	21537	24720
5	Bihar	765835	829508	923737
6	Chandigarh	40124	28365	29538
7	Chhattisgarh	3886	7777	6394
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1582	1799	1797
9	Daman & Diu	4814	4620	5858
10	Delhi	2301395	2319046	2379169
11	Goa	492322	513592	541480
12	Gujarat	198773	235524	284973
13	Haryana	228200	314757	303118
14	Himachal Pradesh	414249	389699	406108
15	Jharkhand	45995	154731	167785
16	J&K	60845	86477	58568
17	Karnataka	636378	561870	636502
18	Kerala	858143	923366	977479
19	Lakshadweep	371	514	1173
20	Madhya Pradesh	280333	316195	421365
21	Maharashtra	4156343	4389098	4408916
22	Manipur	1908	2769	3260
23	Meghalaya	6773	8664	8027
24	Mizoram	800	921	798
25	Nagaland	3304	2585	2769
26	Odisha	66675	71426	66971
27	Puducherry	42624	83291	106153
28	Punjab	204074	255449	242367
29	Rajasthan	1437162	1525574	1475311
30	Sikkim	31698	49175	38479
31	Tamil Nadu	3990490	4657630	4684707
32	Telangana	153966	75171	126078
33	Tripura	11853	26688	34886
34	Uttar Pradesh	2054420	2909735	3104062
35	Uttarakhand	97683	101966	105882
36	West Bengal	1245230	1375740	1489500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>19951026</b>	<b>22334031</b>	<b>23326163</b>

Source: State/Union Territory Tourism Departments.

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**ANNEXURE-II****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (d) AND (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3196 ANSWERED ON 05.12.2016 REGARDING ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN TOURISTS.****Details of amount sanctioned and released under special financial packages****(in Rs. Crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/ UT</b>	<b>Year of Sanction</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>72.55</b>	<b>14.51</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>146.28</b>	<b>41.72</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>627.22</b>	<b>128.77</b>

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