GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS)

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2513 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2017

Youth Hostels

2513. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI: SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Youth Hostels functioning in the country, State/district-wise;
- (b) the role and responsibility of the Government in the functioning of these hostels;
- (c)whether the Government proposes to set up new Youth Hostels in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of people who stayed in these hostels during the last three years and the current year;
- (e)the criteria adopted for use of these hostels in the country; and
- (f) whether there is any limit on the number of days a person can stay in these hostels at a stretch and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

- (a) The number of Youth Hostels in the country, State/district-wise, is at Annexure.
- (b) The "Youth Hostel" is a joint venture of the Central and State Governments. While the Central Government bears the cost of construction, the State Government provides fully-developed land free-of-cost, with water supply, electricity connection and approach roads. The Youth Hostels are looked after by Managers, appointed by the Central Govt. on the recommendation of the

candidate by a Committee chaired by the District Collector/Deputy Commissioner or his nominee In addition, for each Youth Hostel, there is a Hostel Management Committee (HMC). HMCs are chaired by District Magistrates (in case of Hostels located in Districts) and by State Secretaries of Youth Affairs (in case of Hostels located at State capitals). HMCs are responsible for effective management & maintenance of the Youth Hostels.

- (c) The Government of India has no proposal to set up new Youth Hostel in the country.
- (d)According to a recent Survey, about one-fourth of the Youth Hostels had occupancy of 50% & above. Some Youth Hostels had occupancy even upto 90%.
- (e) Youth Hostels have been built to promote youth travel and to enable the young people to experience the rich cultural heritage of the country. This overall criteria is kept in view while utilizing the Hostel facilities.
- (f) The maximum period of stay in the Hostel is three nights which can be extended, at the discretion of the Manager, up to seven nights in deserving cases.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2513 FOR 16.03.2017 ASKED BY SHRIMATI MEENAKSHI LEKHI, SHRIMATI P.K. SREEMATHI TEACHER REGARDING YOUTH HOSTELS.

The details of Youth Hostels in the country, State/district-wise are as under:

S. No.	Name of State/ UT	No. of Youth Hostels	Location of Youth Hostel (s)		
1.	Assam	4	Golaghat, Guwahati, Nagaon, Tezpur		
2.	A&N Islands	1	Port Blair		
3.	Andhra Pradesh	5	Kadapa, Tirupati, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram		
4.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	Naharlagun		
5.	Bihar	1	Datas		
6.		2	Patna Panaii Paddam Manuas		
	Goa		Panaji, Peddem Mapusa		
7.	Gujarat	1	Gandhinagar		
8.	Haryana	7	Bhiwani, Gurgaon, Kurukshetra, Panchkula, , Rewari Sirsa, Yamuna Nagar		
9.	Himachal Pradesh	2	Bilaspur, Dalhousie		
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	3	Nagrota, Patnitop, Srinagar		
11.	Karnataka	4	Hassan, Mysore, Sogalu, Tirtharameshwar		
12.	Kerala	3	Calicut (Kozhikode), Ernakulam (Kochi), Trivandrum,		
13.	Madhya Pradesh	3	Bhopal, Jabalpur, Khajuraho		
14.	Maharashtra	2	Aurangabad, Buldana		
15.	Manipur	4	Churachandpur, Imphal, Thoubal, Ukhrul		
16.	Meghalaya	2	Shillong, Tura		
17.	Mizoram	1	Aizwal		
18.	Nagaland	2	Dimapur, Mokokchung		
19.	Odisha	4	Gopalpur-on-Sea, Joshipur, Koraput, Puri		
20.	Puducherry	1	Puducherry		
21.	Punjab	6	Amritsar, Jalandhar, Patiala, Ropar, Sangrur, Tarn Taran		
22.	Rajasthan	4	Ajmer, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur		
23.	Sikkim	2	Gangtok, Namchi		
24.	Tamil Nadu	5	Chennai, Madurai, Ooty, Thanjavaur, Trichy		
25.	Telangana	3	Nagarjunasagar, Secunderabad, Warangal		
26.	Tripura	1	Agartala		
27.	Uttar Pradesh	2	Agra, Lucknow		
28.	Uttarakhand	4	Badrinath, Mussoorie, Nainital, Uttarkashi		
29.	West Bengal	3	Burdwan, Churulia, Darjeeling		
	Total:	83	, , ,		
