

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2952
ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017**

MoU BETWEEN INDIA AND KYRGYZSTAN

**†2952. SHRIMATI JYOTI DHURVE:
SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:
SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India has recently signed any MoU/Agreement with some countries for the promotion of tourism;**
- (b) if so, the details of the various MoUs signed with international bodies/countries including South Africa and Kyrgyzstan for the promotion of tourism;**
- (c) whether encouragement of Tour Operators/Opinion Makers/Media and tourists visits from both countries for promotion of two way tourism are proposed; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs)/Agreements/Letter of Intent (LoI) with various countries is an ongoing process and the Ministry of Tourism has signed Agreements/MoUs in the field of tourism cooperation with Maldives, Qatar, South Africa and Kyrgyzstan in the year 2016. Details of MoUs/Agreements/Letter of Intent (LoI) signed with various countries for bilateral and multilateral cooperation in the field of Tourism may be seen at Annexure.

(c) & (d): The main objectives of such Agreements/MoUs signed by the Ministry of Tourism include the following:

- i) Exchange of information and data related to tourism.**

- ii) Cooperation between tourism stakeholders including hotels & Tour operators.**
- iii) Exchange of visits of Tour Operators/Media/Opinion Makers for promotion of two way tourism.**
- iv) Exchange programmes for cooperation in Human Resource Development.**
- v) Investment in the Tourism and Hospitality sector.**
- vi) Exchange of experience in the areas of promotion, marketing, destination development and management.**
- vii) Participation in travel fairs/exhibitions in each other's county.**

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2952 ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017 REGARDING MoU BETWEEN INDIA AND KYRGYZSTAN.

Agreements/Memorandum of Understanding Signed with foreign countries by the Ministry of Tourism

MOUs currently valid

Sl. No.	Name of the country with whom MoU/ Agreement/Protocols signed	Date of signature
1.	Iraq (Protocol)	25.10.1986
2.	Portugal (Agreement)	29.07.1991
3.	Syria (Agreement)	08.10.1991
4.	Hungary (Agreement)	16.10.1992
5.	Belarus (Agreement)	14.05.1993
6.	Israel (Agreement)	18.05.1993
7.	Singapore (Agreement)	24.01.1994
8.	Russia (Agreement)	30.06.1994
9.	Turkey (Agreement)	31.01.1995
10.	Iran (MoU)	18.04.1995
11.	Mexico (Agreement)	28.03.1996
12.	Seychelles (Agreement)	03.10.1996
13.	Cyprus (Agreement)	07.11.1996
14.	Greece (Agreement)	13.01.1998
15.	Mongolia (Agreement)	01.12.1998
16.	Morocco (Agreement)	13.02.1999
17.	Indonesia (MOU)	08.02.2000
18.	Italy (Agreement)	26.06.2000
19.	Tunisia (Agreement)	08.12.2000
20.	Sri Lanka (MOU)	23.01.2004
21.	Brazil (Agreement)	25.01.2004
22.	Serbia (MOU)	02.11.2004
23.	Afghanistan (Agreement)	06.12.2005
24.	Jordan (Agreement)	01.12.2006
25.	IBSA Tripartite Agreement	15.10.2008
26.	Spain (MOU)	22.04.2009
27.	Poland (Agreement)	25.04.2009
28.	Malaysia (MOU)	27.10.2010
29.	ASEAN (MOU)	12.01.2012

30.	Mauritius (MOU)	12.03.2013
31.	Japan (Memorandum)	22.01.2014
32.	Australia MoU	18.11.2014
33.	Nepal (MoU)	25.11.2014
34.	France (LoI)	09.04.2015
35.	China (Agreement)	15.05.2015
36.	Tanzania (MoU)	19.06.2015
37.	Uzbekistan (Agreement)	06.07.2015
38.	Turkmenistan (MoU)	11.07.2015
39.	Egypt (MoU)	24.08.2015
40.	U.A.E.	03.09.2015
41.	Cambodia (MoU)	16.09.2015
42.	Maldives (MoU)	10.04.2016
43.	Qatar (MoU)	05.06.2016
44.	South Africa (MoU)	08.07.2016
45.	Kyrgyzstan (MoU)	20.12.2016

MoU's Which have expired

Sl. No.	Name of the country with whom MoU/ Agreement/Protocols signed	Date of signature
1.	Republic of Korea (South) (Agreement)	10.09.1993
2.	Bulgaria (Agreement)	26.05.1994
3.	Romania (Agreement)	02.06.1994
4.	Peru (Agreement)	26.05.1997
5.	Vietnam (Agreement)	08.01.2001
6.	Kazakhstan (Agreement)	03.06.2002
7.	Ukraine (Agreement)	12.08.2003
8.	Thailand (Agreement)	09.10.2003
9.	Tajikistan (Agreement)	14.11.2003
10.	Fiji (Agreement)	10.10.2005
11.	Philippines (Agreement)	04.02.2006
