

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
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SELFIE ACCIDENTS

461. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of reported large number of accidents in the country while clicking selfies;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of such accidents reported during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government has issued any direction to the States and UTs to mark selfie danger zones at accident prone locations of tourist sites in the country;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Tourism has issued a letter dated 10.8.2016 to all State Governments/UT Administration with an advice to take following measures to mark selfie danger zones:

- (i) Identification of all such tourist spots which are prone to accidents.**
- (ii) Erection of signages 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.
