GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*235 ANSWERED ON 12.03.2018

ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE OF TOURISM

*235. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether economic importance of tourism has assumed a special significance for the country in the recent years and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of employment generated by tourism industry in the country during the last five years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the number of foreigners visited the country and the total amount of foreign exchange earned during the said period;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any special measures to develop tourism infrastructure with a view to boosting the national income; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*235 ANSWERED ON 12.03.2018 REGARDING ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE OF TOURISM.

(a): Yes, Madam. Tourism is a major engine of economic growth and an important source of employment & foreign exchange earnings in many countries including India. It has great capacity to create large scale employment of diverse kind – from the most specialized to the unskilled and hence play a major role in creation of additional employment opportunities.

As per the 2nd Tourism Satellite Account of India (TSA) – 2009-10 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.

(b): As per the 2nd Tourism Satellite Account of India (TSA) – 2009-10 and its subsequent estimates, the contribution of tourism employment to total employment of the country during 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 was 10.17%, 10.78%, 11.49% and 12.36% respectively. The details of State/Union Territory wise employment and share of tourism employment to total state employment during 2009-10 are given in Annexure.

(c): The Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) to different States/UTs and the Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEEs) through tourism during last five years are as follows:

Year	FTAs	FEEs(in Rs crore)		
2013	69,67,601	1,07,671		
2014	76,79,099	1,23,320		
2015	80,27,133	1,35,193		
2016	88,04,411	1,54,156		
2017 #	1,01,77,248	1,80,379		

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(d) & (e): For creation of tourism infrastructure and in turn to boost the National Income, the Ministry of Tourism has two flagship schemes viz. Swadesh Darshan - Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits and PRASHAD- Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive. The number of projects along with the amount sanctioned under these two schemes during last three years are as follows:

Year	Swadesh Darshan		PRASHAD		
	Number of projects	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs. crore)	Number of projects	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs. crore)	
2014-15	2	119.6	4	78.56	
2015-16	17	1503.09	7	205.95	
2016-17	37	3191.38	7	203.94	

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*235 ANSWERED ON 12.03.2018 REGARDING ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE OF TOURISM.

SI. No.	States	State Employment (in lakh	Tourism Direct Employment	Share of Tourism Employment to Total State Employment		
		numbers)	(in lakh numbers)	Direct (%)	Direct and	Total (%)
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					(%)	
1	Andaman &	1.51	0.19	12.85	30.95	43.80
	Nicobar					
	Islands					
2	Andhra	479.35	21.65	4.52	17.33	21.85
	Pradesh					
3	Arunachal	5.32	0.14	2.56	6.92	9.48
	Pradesh					
4	Assam	121.11	3.47	2.87	10.36	13.23
5	Bihar	308.96	9.94	3.22	9.69	12.91
6	Chandigarh	3.27	0.38	11.68	21.83	33.52
7	Chhattisgarh	137.37	2.29	1.67	8.16	9.83
8	Dadra &	0.99	0.05	5.01	5.67	10.68
	Nagar Haveli					
9	Daman & Diu	0.87	0.06	6.71	7.74	14.45
10	Delhi	52.40	4.49	8.58	17.64	26.22
11	Goa	4.68	0.74	15.86	32.77	48.63
12	Gujarat	283.42	12.60	4.45	13.17	17.62
13	Haryana	101.68	3.94	3.87	11.35	15.23
14	Himachal	42.07	1.13	2.68	14.27	16.95
	Pradesh					
15	Jammu &	60.90	2.12	3.48	9.26	12.74
46	Kashmir	422 50	2 52	2 96	0.27	42.22
16	Jharkhand	123.50	3.53	2.86	9.37	12.23
17	Karnataka	301.96	15.55	5.15	15.71	20.86

18	Kerala	142.43	14.07	9.88	23.52	33.40
19	Lakshadweep	0.30	0.03	11.49	20.86	32.35
20	Madhya	331.30	6.38	1.93	7.23	9.16
	Pradesh					
21	Maharashtra	548.84	31.43	5.73	16.16	21.89
22	Manipur	9.68	0.32	3.33	8.40	11.73
23	Meghalaya	14.29	0.63	4.43	11.81	16.25
24	Mizoram	5.56	0.14	2.59	6.62	9.21
25	Nagaland	8.50	0.32	3.79	10.11	13.90
26	Odisha	216.60	6.12	2.82	11.51	14.33
27	Pondicherry	5.01	0.46	9.19	14.86	24.05
28	Punjab	108.75	5.84	5.37	12.96	18.33
29	Rajasthan	331.48	8.90	2.68	10.01	12.69
30	Sikkim	3.36	0.20	6.03	9.83	15.86
31	Tamil Nadu	353.12	20.42	5.78	14.99	20.77
32	Tripura	17.72	0.86	4.83	11.29	16.12
33	Uttar	758.35	26.14	3.45	9.85	13.30
	Pradesh					
34	Uttarakhand	46.91	1.60	3.42	17.10	20.52
35	West Bengal	407.82	28.16	6.90	16.26	23.16
