

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.373
ANSWERED ON 05.02.2018**

SETTING UP OF HERITAGE HOTELS AND RESORTS

373. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry of Tourism is working in collaboration with the State Governments, Ministry of Civil Aviation and the Railway Ministry to enhance the infrastructural (particularly transport) facilities in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Ministry of Tourism has chalked out a plan for setting up Heritage Hotels and resorts and Culinary institutes across the nation to complement Tourism infrastructure in the country; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The Ministry of Tourism work in collaboration with State Governments/UT Administrations and various central Ministries like Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Civil Aviation for development of infrastructure including transport.

Ministry of Tourism has taken various steps to boost tourism infrastructure in the country. The details are at Annexure.

(c) and (d): The Ministry of Tourism has no scheme for setting up of Heritage Hotels and Resorts in the country.

The Ministry of Tourism (MoT) has sanctioned the setting up of the Indian Culinary Institute (ICI) at Tirupati, with its Northern Regional Centre at Noida.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.373 ANSWERED ON 05.02.2018 REGARDING SETTING UP OF HERITAGE HOTELS AND RESORTS.

Various steps taken by the Ministry of Tourism to boost tourism infrastructure in the country.

i) Ministry of Tourism in collaboration with Ministry of Railways has identified 26 railway stations for joint development of tourist amenities based on the popularity of stations from the tourism point of view.

In addition, Ministry of Tourism had mooted the idea of having glass top coaches on picturesque routes for an enhanced experience to tourists. Two coaches have been rolled on the Vishakpatanam – Araku Valley and Mumbai-Goa (Konkan Railway) Route. A third coach will be rolled out in Banihal-Barmullah sector, Jammu and Kashmir shortly.

Ministry of Tourism has fully funded and sanctioned to Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd for three stations in the State of Goa.

ii) Completion of Terminal Building at Leh Airport:-

Ministry of Tourism has coordinated with Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA), State Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir and Indian Air Force (IAF) for making land available for the project of terminal building at Leh Airport.

iii) Regional air connectivity to major/potential tourist destinations.

Ministry of Tourism is continuously perusing Ministry of Civil Aviation for revival of unserved and under-served airports/airstrips and RCS-UDAN for developing Pan India thematic circuits.
