

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2031  
ANSWERED ON 30.07.2018**

**CRUISE TOURISM ACTION PLAN**

**2031. KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:**

**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop Mumbai for the Formula 1 Powerboat World Championship or F1H2O under its ambitious cruise tourism action plan and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has approached the organisers and sponsors of the championship in this regard;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and their response thereto;**
- (d) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard; and**
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to promote/develop such types of cruise tourism in the country?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e): The Ministry of Shipping has informed that the representatives of M/s Grand Prix (India Pvt Ltd.) have approached Mumbai Port Trust to assess the area where Formula I Power Boat Race can be conducted. The suitability of water area and the depth available of domestic cruise terminal at Mumbai has been discussed with the representatives of M/s Grand Prix (India Pvt Ltd.).**

**The Ministry of Tourism has identified Cruise Tourism as one of the Niche Tourism products for development and promotion of tourism to overcome the aspect of seasonality and to promote India as a 365 day's destination.**

**Further, the Ministry of Shipping has brought out a Vision Document with a view to develop India as a Cruise shipping destination. The Vision Document envisaged to develop supporting infrastructure for cruise tourism at ports, give special focus on developing the domestic cruise industry through policy supports, incentives and port infrastructure development.**

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