GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1166 ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020

FUNDS RELEASED FOR MEDICAL TOURISM

†1166. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of foreigners are visiting India as tourists and for medical treatment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the State-wise number of tourists visited India as tourists and for medical treatment during the last three years and the revenue earned from them;
- (d) the State-wise amount sanctioned or released by the Government for medical tourism during the said period along with the amount utilised by the State Governments out of it; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) & (b): Details of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTA) to India and specifically for medical purpose for the year 2018 are as under:

Year	FTA for Medical Purpose (in Millions)	FTA (in Millions)
2018	0.64	10.56

(c): Details of State/UT wise Foreign Tourist Visits (FTV) for the years 2016 to 2018 are given in annexure.

Ministry of tourism, Government of India does not maintain State/UT wise data of tourist visits for medical purpose. The data on revenue generated from tourism is also not centrally maintained by Ministry of tourism, Government of India.

(d) & (e): Medical Tourism activity is mainly driven by the private sector. Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has the role of a facilitator in terms of marketing this concept and promoting this in the key markets.

Ministry of Tourism has taken several steps to promote India as a Medical and Health Tourism Destination, some of which are as follows:

- Promotion of medical tourism at various international platforms.
- Introduction of E visa for 169 countries.
- Circulated and distributed Brochure, CD and other publicity material.
- Constituted National Medical & Wellness Tourism Board to provide dedicated institutional framework to take forward the cause of promotion of Medical Tourism,
- Fiscal Incentives provided under Market Development Assistance (MDA) for participation in approved medical/Tourism Fairs/medical Conferences/Wellness conference/Wellness Fairs and its allied Road shows.
- Financial support under the MDA scheme to approved medical tourism service providers.

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1166 ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020 REGARDING FUNDS RELEASED FOR MEDICAL TOURISM

Foreign Tourist Visits (FTV) during mentioned years					
Sr. No.	States/UTs	2016	2017	2018 (Revised)	
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	15466	15313	15242	
2	Andhra Pradesh	341764	271362	281083	
3	Arunachal Pradesh	6598	7147	7653	
4	Assam	19456	21760	36846	
5	Bihar	1010531	1082705	1087971	
6	Chandigarh	31549	31832	39681	
7	Chhattisgarh	9220	6701	14399	
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1891	1908	1608	
9	Daman & Diu	5669	5535	5694	
10	Delhi *	2520083	2740502	2740502	
11	Goa	680683	842220	933841	
12	Gujarat	343752	448853	513113	
13	Haryana	331291	193381	73977	
14	Himachal Pradesh	452770	470992	356568	
15	Jammu & Kashmir	63207	79765	139520	
16	Jharkhand	169442	170987	175801	
17	Karnataka	461752	498148	543716	
18	Kerala	1038419	1091870	1096407	
19	Lakshadweep	753	1027	1313	
20	Madhya Pradesh	363195	359119	375476	
21	Maharashtra*	4670049	5078514	5078514	
22	Manipur	3064	3497	6391	
23	Meghalaya	8476	12051	18114	
24	Mizoram	942	1155	967	
25	Nagaland	3260	4166	5010	
26	Odisha	76361	100014	110818	
27	Puducherry	117437	131407	141133	
28	Punjab	659736	1108635	1200969	
29	Rajasthan	1513729	1609963	1754348	
30	Sikkim	66012	49111	71172	
31	Tamil Nadu	4721978	4860455	6074345	

32	Tripura	36780	69899	102861			
33	Telengana	166570	251846	318154			
34	Uttar Pradesh	3156812	3556204	3780752			
35	Uttarakhand	117106	133725	151320			
36	West Bengal	1528700	1574915	1617105			
*Data	*Data for 2017 is repeated for 2018						
