

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.213  
ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020**

**DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TOURIST SPOTS IN HIMALAYAN REGION**

**213. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that almost all the tourists destinations in the Himalayan region/hilly States are hitting a saturation point;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to develop new tourist destinations in order to ease the load off the existing ones?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

**(a) & (b): Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has not undertaken study on saturation of tourist destination in the Himalayan region/hilly States. However, data on Domestic Tourist visits (DTV) and Foreign Tourist Visits (FTV) for 2018 for some of the States in the Himalayan region are given in annexure.**

**(c): Development of tourism spots, is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India under its schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and Assistance to Central Agencies, provides central financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territories/Central Agencies for development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities to provide an enriching tourism experience to visitors. The projects under the schemes are identified for development in consultation with State Governments/UT Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.213 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TOURIST SPOTS IN HIMALAYAN REGION****Details of Domestic Tourist visits (DTV) and Foreign Tourist Visits (FTV) for 2018 for some of the States in the Himalayan region**

<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>2018</b>	
	<b>Domestic Tourist Visits (Revised)</b>	<b>Foreign Tourist Visits(Revised)</b>
<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>512436</b>	<b>7653</b>
<b>Assam</b>	<b>5856282</b>	<b>36846</b>
<b>Bihar</b>	<b>33621613</b>	<b>1087971</b>
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>16093935</b>	<b>356568</b>
<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>17076315</b>	<b>139520</b>
<b>Manipur</b>	<b>176109</b>	<b>6391</b>
<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>1198340</b>	<b>18114</b>
<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>76551</b>	<b>967</b>
<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>101588</b>	<b>5010</b>
<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>1426127</b>	<b>71172</b>
<b>Tripura</b>	<b>414388</b>	<b>102861</b>
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>285079848</b>	<b>3780752</b>
<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>35609650</b>	<b>151320</b>
<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>85657365</b>	<b>1617105</b>

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