

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.37  
ANSWERED ON 19.07.2021**

**IMPROVEMENT OF TOURIST AND RELIGIOUS PLACES**

**37. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Domestic Tourist Visits have been growing at an astonishing pace in recent decades, especially religious tourism in the country;**
- (b) if so, the number of Domestic Tourist Visits (DTVs) in the country during the last three years, State-wise; and**
- (c) the details of steps taken by the Government in consultations with the State Governments to improve the condition of tourist and religious places to make them tourists friendly?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Domestic Tourist Visits (DTVs) have been increasing till 2019, however, during year 2020, DTVs has decreased in all States/UTs. Details of state/UT wise DTVs during last three years are given in the Annexure. Data of tourist visits at religious places is not centrally maintained.**

**(c): Development and promotion of tourism including religious places is primarily the responsibility of the State Government/Union Territories. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India under its schemes of Swadesh Darshan, Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and Assistance to Central Agencies, provides central financial assistance to the State Government/Union Territories/Central Agencies for development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities in the country. The projects under the scheme are**

**identified for development in consultation with concerned State Government/UT Administration and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed projects reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.**

**Further, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has launched the “Adopt a Heritage: Apni Dhrohar, Apni Pehchaan” project which is a collaborative effort by the Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Culture, Archaeological Survey of India and State/UTs for developing tourism amenities at heritage/natural/tourist sites spread across India for making them tourist friendly, in a planned and phased manner. The projects aims to encourage companies from public sector, private sector, corporate citizens, Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) individuals and other stakeholder to take up the responsibility of developing and upgrading the basic and advanced tourist amenities at heritage/natural/tourist sites. They would also look after the operation & maintenance of the same.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.37 ANSWERED ON 19.07.2021 REGARDING IMPROVEMENT OF TOURISTS AND RELIGIOUS PLACES****DOMESTIC TOURIST VISITS (DTV's) DURING 2018, 2019 & 2020**

<b>S. No</b>	<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
1	A&N Island	498279	505398	191207
2	Andhra Pradesh	194767874	237051508	70828590
3	Arunachal Pradesh	512436	555639	42871
4	Assam	4710617	5447805	1266898
5	Bihar	33621613	33990038	5638024
6	Chandigarh	1538796	1563795	417953
7	Chhattisgarh	19329501	17304506	2810227
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	609435	618330	104959
9	Daman & Diu	898824	897804	297436
10	Delhi #	29114423	36467598	9583671
11	Goa	7081559	7127287	3258715
12	Gujarat	54369873	58864661	19464517
13	Haryana	4888952	4549017	2114731
14	Himachal Pradesh	16093935	16829231	3170714
15	Jharkhand	35408822	35580768	2574704
16	J&K	17076315	16163330	2519524
17	Karnataka	214306456	227934714	77453339
18	Kerala	15604661	18384233	4988972
19	Lakshdweep	10435	6985	3462
20	Ladakh	-	241285	6743
21	Madhya Pradesh	83969799	88707139	23519632
22	Maharashtra #	119191539	149294703	39234591
23	Manipur	176109	167560	49669
24	Meghalaya	1198340	1245633	24734
25	Mizoram	76551	163762	30890
26	Nagaland	101588	125949	10979
27	Odisha	15208540	15307637	4622273
28	Puducherry	1616660	1713248	1114942

<b>29</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>44595061</b>	<b>47385387</b>	<b>16692197</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>50235643</b>	<b>52220431</b>	<b>15117239</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>1426127</b>	<b>1421823</b>	<b>316408</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>385909376</b>	<b>494865257</b>	<b>140651241</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>92878329</b>	<b>83035894</b>	<b>39997001</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>414388</b>	<b>437201</b>	<b>127815</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>285079848</b>	<b>535855162</b>	<b>86122293</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>35609650</b>	<b>37585920</b>	<b>7005264</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>85657365</b>	<b>92366025</b>	<b>28841732</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1853787719</b>	<b>2321982663</b>	<b>610216157</b>

**Source: State/UTs Tourism Department**

<b>#</b>	<b>Data for 2017 is repeated for 2018. Further, Data for 2019 and 2020 is estimated by applying all India growth rate for 2019/18 on 2018 data and all India growth rate for 2020/19 on 2019 data respectively.</b>
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