

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2155
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024**

ENCOURAGE TOURISM IN GOA

2155. SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of international tourist footfall across the country during the last three years, State-wise;**
- (b) the list of countries benefited with Visa on Arrival in India;**
- (c) the details of Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEEs) from tourism during the last three years; and**
- (d) whether the Government plans to encourage tourism in the Goa State; if so, the details?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a): State-wise Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs) during the 2021-2023 is placed in the Annexure-I.

(b): Visa-On-Arrival facility is available to nationals of Japan, South Korea and UAE for tourism, business, conference and medical purposes for 60 days with double entry for entry through 6 designated airports.

(c): The details of Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEEs) from tourism in India during the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 is given below:

Year	Foreign Exchange Earnings (in Rs. crore)
2021	63,978
2022	1,69,917
2023#1	2,31,927

#1: Provisional Estimates

(d): Ministry of Tourism has taken several steps to encourage tourism in the country including Goa as under:

- i. Provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/Central Agencies under the 'Swadesh Darshan', 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)', 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' and 'Domestic Promotion & Publicity including Hospitality (DPPH)' Schemes for the development & promotion of tourism in the country including Goa. Details of such projects in the State of Goa are provided in Annexure-II.**
- ii. Enhance the overall quality and visitor experience through initiatives focused on capacity building, skill development such as Incredible India Tourist Facilitator (IITF) 'Paryatan Mitra' and 'Paryatan Didi' and also through events and campaigns such as 'Dekho Apna Desh,' 'Chalo India,' 'International Tourism Mart,' and 'Bharat Parv'.**
- iii. Ministry is also promoting various destinations and tourism products across India including in the State of Goa through its social media handles and website.**

ANNEXURE-I**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2155 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024 REGARDING ENCOURAGE TOURISM IN GOA RAISED BY SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES.****State-wise Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs) in India during 2021, 2022 and 2023**

S. No.	States/UTs	FTV 2021	FTV 2022	FTV 2023
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1,687	4,461	9,025
2	Andhra Pradesh	27,551	1,65,845	60,426
3	Arunachal Pradesh	182	1,055	4,496
4	Assam	536	9,001	23,818
5	Bihar	1,046	86,829	5,46,576
6	Chandigarh	5,451	28,439	31,498
7	Chhattisgarh	8	238	953
8	UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	185	1,791	4,048
9	Delhi*	1,00,178	8,15,713	18,28,116
10	Goa	22,128	1,74,799	4,52,692
11	Gujarat	11,319	17,77,215	28,06,871
12	Haryana	4,578	2,439	1,346
13	Himachal Pradesh	4,932	29,333	62,806
14	Jammu & Kashmir	1,650	19,985	55,337
15	Jharkhand	1,637	1,92,319	1,89,261
16	Karnataka	72,487	1,28,520	4,09,333
17	Kerala	60,487	3,45,549	6,49,057
18	Lakshadweep	4	125	755
19	Ladakh	1,054	21,259	40,970
20	Madhya Pradesh	41,601	2,04,454	1,82,685
21	Maharashtra*	1,85,643	15,11,623	33,87,739
22	Manipur	648	3,908	3,668
23	Meghalaya	411	7,774	19,973
24	Mizoram	234	2,611	3,754
25	Nagaland	325	2,923	4,725
26	Odisha	2,269	22,121	45,173
27	Puducherry	321	862	31,214
28	Punjab	3,08,135	3,29,458	7,41,734
29	Rajasthan	34,806	3,96,684	16,99,869
30	Sikkim	11,508	68,645	93,908

31	Tamil Nadu	57,622	4,07,126	11,74,899
32	Telangana	5,917	68,401	1,60,912
33	Tripura	5	8,493	66,708
34	Uttar Pradesh	44,737	6,48,986	16,01,503
35	Uttarakhand	8,532	61,561	1,43,027
36	West Bengal	34,828	10,37,017	27,06,942
Total		10,54,642	85,87,562	1,92,45,817

Source: States/UTs Tourism Department

***Data for FTVs for Delhi and Maharashtra have been estimated using All India growth rate for that year.**

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2155 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024 REGARDING ENCOURAGE TOURISM IN GOA RAISED BY SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES.

Details of project sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Goa:

(Rs. in Crore)

S. No.	Circuit / Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released /Authorised	Amount Utilised*
1	Coastal Circuit 2016-17	Development of Siquerim- Baga, Anjuna- Vagator, Morjim- Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail	97.65	97.65	92.76
2	Coastal Circuit 2017-18	Development of Coastal Circuit II: Rua De Orum Creek - Dona Paula- Colva- Benaulim	99.35	99.35	94.38

*** Includes amount released to Central Nodal Agency as per new financial procedure.**

List of projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme in Goa:

S. No.	Destination	Name of the Experience	Sanctioned Cost (₹ Crore)
1	Porvorim	Porvorim Creek Experience	23.56
2	Colva	Colva Beach Experience	15.65

Details of Projects sanctioned under the scheme Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development in Goa:

(Rs. in Lakh)

S. No.	Sanction Date	Name of Project	Agency	Amount sanctioned	Amount Released
1	24.06.2014	Cruise Terminal Building at Mormugao Port Trust	Mormugao Port trust	879.04	767.18

2	24.08.2018	Improvement of immigration facility and deepening of existing cruise berth at Mormugao	Mormugao Port trust	1316.4	658.2
3	10.09.2021	Development of International and Domestic Cruise Terminal and allied facilities at Murmugao Port Trust, Goa	Mormugao Port Trust	5000	4000

Financial assistance provided for organizing fairs/festivals & tourism related events under Domestic Promotion & Publicity including Hospitality (DPPH) Scheme in Goa:

(Rs. in Lakh)

Year	Name of Fairs & Festivals	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
2020-21	Carnival Festival	25.00	25.00
	Shigmo Festival	25.00	25.00
2021-22	Carnival Festival	25.00	25.00
	Shigmo Festival	25.00	25.00
2022-23	Carnival Festival	25.00	25.00
	Shigmo Festival	25.00	25.00
