

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1721  
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025**

**ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN TOURIST**

**1721. DR. INDRA HANG SUBBA:**

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

- (a) the details of total number of foreign tourists who visited India after Covid pandemic, State-wise;**
- (b) the details of the initiatives taken by the Government to encourage more foreign tourists to visit India;**
- (c) the details of the number of tourists visited India for the purpose of trekking in the Himalayan region; and**
- (d) the details of the mode of transportation most used by the foreign tourists while travelling within India?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

**(a): The details of State-wise Foreign Tourist Visits in India during 2022 and 2023 is given in the Annexure.**

**(b): Ministry of Tourism has taken several steps/initiatives over the years to encourage more foreign tourists to visit India as under:**

- The Ministry of Tourism under the schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan', 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' and 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/ Central Agencies for the development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities at various tourism destinations in the country.**
- Ministry of Tourism through its various campaigns and events promotes various tourism destinations and products of India in**

**domestic and international markets. Some of the initiatives are Dekho Apna Desh campaign, Chalo India campaign, International Tourism Mart, Bharat Parv.**

- **The Incredible India Content Hub was launched which is a comprehensive digital repository, featuring a rich collection of high-quality images, films, brochures, and newsletters related to tourism in India. Promotions are also carried out through the web-site – [www.incredibleindia.org](http://www.incredibleindia.org) and social media handles of the Ministry.**
- **Thematic tourism like wellness tourism, culinary tourism, rural, eco-tourism, etc. amongst other niche subjects are promoted so as to expand the scope of tourism into other sectors as well.**
- **Enhance the overall quality and visitor experience through initiatives focused on capacity building, skill development such as ‘Capacity Building for Service Providers’, ‘Incredible India Tourist Facilitator’ (IITF), ‘Paryatan Mitra’ and ‘Paryatan Didi’.**
- **For improving air connectivity to important tourist destinations, Ministry of Tourism has collaborated with Ministry of Civil Aviation under their RCS-UDAN Scheme. As on date, 53 tourism routes have been operationalized.**
- **e-Visa scheme is now available to 167 countries and it is available for 9 sub-categories:**
  - i. **e-Tourist Visa**
  - ii. **e-Business Visa**
  - iii. **e-Medical Visa**
  - iv. **e-Conference Visa**
  - v. **e-Medical Attendant Visa**
  - vi. **e-Ayush Visa**
  - vii. **e-Ayush Attendant Visa**
  - viii. **e- Student Visa**
  - ix. **e-Student X Visa**

**(c) & (d): The number of tourists visited in India for trekking in Himalayan range and mode of transportation used by foreign tourists while travelling within India is not available with the Ministry of Tourism.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1721 ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025 REGARDING ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN TOURIST RAISED BY SHRI DR. INDRA HANG SUBBA**

Details of Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs) in India during 2022 and 2023 is given below:

S. No.	State/UT	Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs)	
		2022	2023
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4,461	9,025
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,65,845	60,426
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1,055	4,496
4	Assam	9,001	23,818
5	Bihar	86,829	5,46,576
6	Chandigarh	28,439	31,498
7	Chhattisgarh	238	953
8	UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	1,791	4,048
9	Delhi*	8,15,713	18,28,116
10	Goa	1,74,799	4,52,692
11	Gujarat	17,77,215	28,06,871
12	Haryana	2,439	1,346
13	Himachal Pradesh	29,333	62,806
14	Jammu & Kashmir	19,985	55,337
15	Jharkhand	1,92,319	1,89,261
16	Karnataka	1,28,520	4,09,333
17	Kerala	3,45,549	6,49,057
18	Lakshadweep	125	755
19	Ladakh	21,259	40,970
20	Madhya Pradesh	2,04,454	1,82,685
21	Maharashtra*	15,11,623	33,87,739
22	Manipur	3,908	3,668
23	Meghalaya	7,774	19,973
24	Mizoram	2,611	3,754
25	Nagaland	2,923	4,725
26	Odisha	22,121	45,173
27	Puducherry	862	31,214
28	Punjab	3,29,458	7,41,734
29	Rajasthan	3,96,684	16,99,869

<b>30</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>68,645</b>	<b>93,908</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>4,07,126</b>	<b>11,74,899</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>68,401</b>	<b>1,60,912</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>8,493</b>	<b>66,708</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>6,48,986</b>	<b>16,01,503</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>61,561</b>	<b>1,43,027</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>10,37,017</b>	<b>27,06,942</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>85,87,562</b>	<b>1,92,45,817</b>

**Source:- State/UT Tourism Departments**

**\* : Estimated data**

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