

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 713
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025

CRUISE TOURISM

713. SHRI RAMVIR SINGH BIDHURI:
SHRI BASAVARAJ BOMMAI:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- a) the details of Cruise Bharat Mission alongwith the present status of its implementation indicating the capacity/potential of Cruise Tourism in the country;
- b) whether the target set to boost Cruise Tourism is likely to be achieved by the Ministry in the next five years,
- c) if so, the details thereof, year-wise; and
- d) the progress achieved so far in the cruise tourism and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to double the cruise tourism by the year 2029?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (d) The Cruise Bharat Mission (CBM), was launched by the Hon'ble Minister on 30th September 2024. The number of cruise passengers was 4.71 lakhs, for the FY 2023-24, and as per key performance indicator (KPI) of CBM, this number is targeted to increase to 10 lakhs by year 2029. CBM provides for a framework for inter-ministerial approach for crafting interventions along policy, regulatory, and other aspects governing cruise sector and enable responsible involvement of all regulatory agencies, such as Customs, Immigration, CISF, State Tourism Departments, State Maritime Agencies, District Administrations, and local police.
