

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1167  
ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025**

**WORLD TRAVEL MARKET AND FTAs**

**1167. SMT. BAG MITALI:**

**PROF. SOUGATA RAY:**

**DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:**

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

- (a) whether the country is participating at World Travel Market with a delegation of stakeholders including State Governments/UT Administrations, inbound tour operators from the Indian travel industry along with IRCTC to showcase India's vibrant cultural diversity;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the total number of international tourist arrivals during the period from 2020 to 2025, State/UT-wise especially in West Bengal;**
- (d) whether it is a fact that West Bengal has the third highest number of foreign tourists visitor, if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether India's tourism sector has seen a significant recovery after the COVID-19 pandemic, with international tourist arrivals exceeding pre-pandemic levels, if so, the details thereof;**
- (f) whether it is a fact that Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) from several major source countries have shown an upward trend, if so, the details thereof;**
- (g) the details of top ten source markets for FTAs during the last five years; and**
- (h) whether the surge in foreign tourist arrivals has a positive impact on the Indian economy, contributing significantly to foreign exchange earnings and job creation in the tourism sector, if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

**(a) to (b): The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India participated in World Travel Market (WTM) 2025 held in London from 4<sup>th</sup> till 6<sup>th</sup> November 2025. The Ministry participated with a delegation of 30 stakeholders including State Governments / Union Territory Administrations, inbound tour operators from the Indian travel industry along with IRCTC to showcase India's vibrant cultural diversity and the range of tourism products and immersive experiences.**

**(c) to (d): The details of International Tourist Arrivals (ITAs) during the last five years are as below:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>ITAs (in lakh)</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>63.37</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>70.10</b>
<b>2022</b>	<b>143.30</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>188.99</b>
<b>2024</b>	<b>205.69</b>

**Source: Bureau of Immigration**

**Further, State/UT-wise International Tourist Arrivals (ITAs) are not available with the Ministry of Tourism. However, State/UT-wise details of the total number of Foreign Tourist Visits during 2020 to 2025, including West Bengal may be seen at Annexure-I.**

**(e) to (h): The details of International Tourist Arrivals (ITAs) and Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEE) from 2019 to 2024 are as below:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>ITAs (in lakh)</b>	<b>FEEs from Tourism in India (in Rs. Crore)</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>179.14</b>	<b>2,16,467</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>63.37</b>	<b>95,738</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>70.10</b>	<b>63,978</b>
<b>2022</b>	<b>143.30</b>	<b>1,69,917</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>188.99</b>	<b>2,66,045</b>
<b>2024</b>	<b>205.69</b>	<b>2,93,033 #</b>

**Source: Bureau of Immigration**

**#: Revised Estimates**

**The details of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) from Top 10 source countries from 2020 to 2024 may be seen at Annexure-II.**

**The Employment scenario in the tourism sector in India for the year 2020-21 to 2023-24 is given below:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Number of tourism jobs (in million)</b>
<b>2020-21</b>	<b>68.07</b>
<b>2021-22</b>	<b>70.04</b>
<b>2022-23</b>	<b>76.17</b>
<b>2023-24</b>	<b>84.63</b>

**Source: Estimates based on periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS)**

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**ANNEXURE-I****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1167 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025 REGARDING WORLD TRAVEL MARKET & FTAs RAISED BY SMT. BAG MITALI, PROF. SOUGATA RAY AND DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN**

**State/UT- wise Foreign Tourist Visits (FTVs) during 2020 to 2024 are given below:**

<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Andaman &amp; Nicobar Islands</b>	<b>5,412</b>	<b>1,687</b>	<b>4,461</b>	<b>9,025</b>	<b>11,497</b>
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>67,591</b>	<b>27,551</b>	<b>1,65,845</b>	<b>60,426</b>	<b>2,62,431</b>
<b>Arunachal</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>4,496</b>	<b>4,714</b>
<b>Assam</b>	<b>7,285</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>9,001</b>	<b>23,818</b>	<b>27,170</b>
<b>Bihar</b>	<b>3,08,080</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>86,829</b>	<b>5,46,576</b>	<b>7,36,720</b>
<b>Chandigarh</b>	<b>12,218</b>	<b>5,451</b>	<b>28,439</b>	<b>31,498</b>	<b>39,058</b>
<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>2,322</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>3,485</b>
<b>Dadra Nagar Haveli &amp; Daman &amp;</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>1,791</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>2,626</b>
<b>Delhi</b>	<b>6,81,230</b>	<b>1,00,178</b>	<b>8,15,713</b>	<b>18,28,116</b>	<b>19,99,410</b>
<b>Goa</b>	<b>3,02,751</b>	<b>22,128</b>	<b>1,74,799</b>	<b>4,52,692</b>	<b>4,67,911</b>
<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>2,10,047</b>	<b>11,319</b>	<b>17,77,21</b>	<b>28,06,871</b>	<b>22,74,477</b>
<b>Haryana</b>	<b>17,474</b>	<b>4,578</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>1,346</b>	<b>543</b>
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>42,665</b>	<b>4,932</b>	<b>29,333</b>	<b>62,806</b>	<b>82,765</b>
<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>5,317</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>19,985</b>	<b>55,337</b>	<b>65,452</b>
<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>1,637</b>	<b>1,92,319</b>	<b>1,89,261</b>	<b>45,273</b>
<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>1,65,325</b>	<b>72,487</b>	<b>1,28,520</b>	<b>4,09,333</b>	<b>4,85,204</b>
<b>Kerala</b>	<b>3,40,755</b>	<b>60,487</b>	<b>3,45,549</b>	<b>6,49,057</b>	<b>7,38,374</b>
<b>Ladakh</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>21,259</b>	<b>36,315</b>	<b>39,704</b>
<b>Lakshadweep</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>898</b>
<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>99,819</b>	<b>41,601</b>	<b>2,04,454</b>	<b>1,82,685</b>	<b>1,67,535</b>
<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>12,62,40</b>	<b>1,85,643</b>	<b>15,11,62</b>	<b>33,87,739</b>	<b>37,05,170</b>
<b>Manipur</b>	<b>3,139</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>3,908</b>	<b>3,668</b>	<b>2,518</b>
<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>2,311</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>7,774</b>	<b>20,023</b>	<b>23,075</b>
<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>2,611</b>	<b>3,754</b>	<b>5,414</b>
<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>2,923</b>	<b>4,725</b>	<b>5,623</b>
<b>Odisha</b>	<b>10,206</b>	<b>2,269</b>	<b>22,121</b>	<b>45,173</b>	<b>87,854</b>

<b>Puducherry</b>	<b>92,080</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>31,214</b>	<b>17,819</b>
<b>Punjab</b>	<b>3,59,114</b>	<b>3,08,135</b>	<b>3,29,458</b>	<b>7,41,734</b>	<b>5,41,784</b>
<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>4,46,457</b>	<b>34,806</b>	<b>3,96,684</b>	<b>16,99,869</b>	<b>20,72,407</b>
<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>19,935</b>	<b>11,508</b>	<b>68,645</b>	<b>93,908</b>	<b>84,820</b>
<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>12,28,32</b>	<b>57,622</b>	<b>4,07,126</b>	<b>11,74,899</b>	<b>11,61,302</b>
<b>Tripura</b>	<b>31,877</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8,493</b>	<b>66,708</b>	<b>90,824</b>
<b>Telangana</b>	<b>46,694</b>	<b>5,917</b>	<b>68,401</b>	<b>1,60,912</b>	<b>1,55,313</b>
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>8,90,932</b>	<b>44,737</b>	<b>6,48,986</b>	<b>16,01,503</b>	<b>22,69,067</b>
<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>41,339</b>	<b>8,532</b>	<b>61,561</b>	<b>1,43,027</b>	<b>1,39,375</b>
<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>4,63,285</b>	<b>34,828</b>	<b>10,37,01</b>	<b>27,06,942</b>	<b>31,24,462</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>71,71,769</b>	<b>10,54,642</b>	<b>85,87,562</b>	<b>1,92,41,212</b>	<b>2,09,42,074</b>

**Source: State/UT Tourism Departments**

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**ANNEXURE-II****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (e) TO (h) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1167 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025 REGARDING WORLD TRAVEL MARKET & FTAs RAISED BY SMT. BAG MITALI, PROF. SOUGATA RAY AND DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN****Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) from Top 10 source countries during 2020 to 2024**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>United States</b>	<b>3,94,092</b>	<b>4,29,860</b>	<b>14,03,399</b>	<b>16,91,498</b>	<b>18,04,586</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>5,49,273</b>	<b>2,40,554</b>	<b>12,77,557</b>	<b>21,19,826</b>	<b>17,50,165</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>2,91,874</b>	<b>1,64,143</b>	<b>6,41,051</b>	<b>9,20,591</b>	<b>10,22,587</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>86,758</b>	<b>33,864</b>	<b>3,76,898</b>	<b>4,56,167</b>	<b>5,18,205</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Canada</b>	<b>1,22,868</b>	<b>80,437</b>	<b>2,89,259</b>	<b>3,85,938</b>	<b>4,76,273</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Malaysia</b>	<b>69,897</b>	<b>6,628</b>	<b>1,26,192</b>	<b>2,62,458</b>	<b>3,07,526</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>68,646</b>	<b>25,989</b>	<b>1,83,459</b>	<b>2,80,327</b>	<b>2,81,827</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Germany</b>	<b>72,558</b>	<b>33,772</b>	<b>1,41,425</b>	<b>2,23,575</b>	<b>2,56,348</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>France</b>	<b>74,243</b>	<b>30,374</b>	<b>1,20,282</b>	<b>1,88,981</b>	<b>2,06,855</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Singapore</b>	<b>33,747</b>	<b>13,407</b>	<b>1,32,668</b>	<b>1,83,772</b>	<b>2,05,383</b>

**Source: Bureau of Immigration**

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