GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2428 ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025

EXPENDITURE AND AUDIT STATUS OF TOURISM ACTIVITIES IN CHANDIGARH

2428. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

Will the Minister of Tourism be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total budget allocated to the Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration during the last three financial years, year-wise;
- (b) the details of total amount spent by that Department on organising and supporting tourism-and culture-related events during the same period;
- (c) the details of total sum paid to artists, performers, event-organisers, and other service-providers for those programmes during the said period; and
- (d) whether any audit or independent review of the above expenditures has been conducted and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective actions and the current status of implementation of the findings?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, does not allocate any budget to Tourism Department, Chandigarh Administration. However, Ministry provides financial assistance to States/UTs for organizing fairs and festivals. The details of Financial Assistance provided by Ministry of Tourism to UT Administration of Chandigarh for organizing fairs and festivals during the last 3 years is given at annexure.

Further, UT Administration of Chandigarh has given the following point-wise reply:-

i. Total budget allocated to the Tourism Department during the last three financial years is as under:-

Financial Year	Rs. in INR	
2022-23	11,15,64,000	
2023-24	9,73,40,000	
2024-25	12,37,27,000	
TOTAL	33,26,31,000	

- ii. The total amount spent by the department on organizing and supporting tourism and culture-related events for the FY 2022-23, 2023-24 & 2024-25 is Rs.11,84,82,738/-.
- iii. The total sum paid to artists, performers, event-organizers and other service-providers for these programmes for the FY 2022-23, 2023-24 & 2024-25 is Rs.11,58,00,375/-.
- iv. The audit or independent review of all and above expenditures has been conducted thoroughly and regularly by the O/o Director General of Audit (Central) under Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) till 31/03/2023. There is no audit para for any of the abovementioned expenditure during the last audit held for period 01/04/2018 to 31/03/2023.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2428 ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025 REGARDING EXPENDITURE AND AUDIT STATUS OF TOURISM ACTIVITIES IN CHANDIGARH RAISED BY SHRI MANISH TEWARI

(Rupees in Lakh)

Year	Name of the Fairs and Festivals	Amount Sanctioned
2022-23	Chandigarh Carnival	15.00
	Rose Festival	15.00
2023-24	No proposals	-
2024-25	No proposals	-
2025-26	World Tourism Day	10.00
	Chandigarh Carnival Festival	20.00
	Rose Festival	20.00
