

**Sanctioned staff strength in the Ministry**

3995. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total sanctioned staff strength in the Ministry-group-wise *i.e.* Group A to Group D;
- (b) out of the total strength, the number of jobs earmarked for SC/ST category as per Government of India's reservation policy; and
- (c) the reasons, if any, for the staff strength not being in accordance with the reservation policy of the Government of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SULTAN AHMED): (a) The details of total sanctioned staff strength in the Ministry Group wise are as under:

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
65	119	262	90

(b) The appointments in different grades are made in the Ministry as per the relevant; Recruitment Rules for the posts. The appointments by way of promotion and deputation are either made by the Ministry or on the recommendation of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC). Appointments against Direct Recruit posts are made on the recommendation of UPSC or Staff Selection Commission (SSC) as the case may be. Government policy for reservation of 15% posts for SCs and 7.5% post for STs are followed in the Ministry as per model roster of reservation with reference to the posts, as the case may be.

(c) Government of India reservation policy for SCs & STs are followed in the Ministry. However, there have been some instances where the posts reserved for these categories could not be filled up on time due to non availability of officials in the feeder grade (for posts to be filled by promotion) or non-filling up of Direct Recruit vacancies by the Recruiting Agencies for which requisition was sent.

**Request for institute of hotel and catering management at Dethali**

3996. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL:

SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has requested to sanction Rs.5 crores to Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan for setting up of State Institute of Hotel and Catering Management at Dethali (Siddhpur-Patan);

(b) if so, the reasons for not clearing the proposal so far;

(c) whether as per established procedure of Government projects are to be prioritized for funding which will subsequently be sanctioned by Government;

(d) whether Ministry of Tourism has prioritized the project of State Institute of Hotel and Catering Management at Dethali in the meeting held on 20 January, 2011 for the year 2011-12; and

(e) if so, by when Government propose to sanction this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SULTAN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir. The proposal was received from the State Government of Gujarat seeking Central financial assistance for setting up a State Institute of Hotel Management at Dethali (Siddhpur-Patan) under Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan.

(b) The proposal of the Government of Gujarat to set up Institute of Hotel Management at 'Dethali (Siddhpur-Patan) under the Hemchandracharya University could not be considered as the Institute of Hotel Management education policy was under review. Subsequently, it was decided to open new IHM's as per the targets of the 11th Five year Plan under the existing scheme guidelines.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Tourism undertakes the exercise of prioritizing projects in consultation with the state/UT Administration. The prioritised projects are however, considered for sanction subject to adherence to the scheme guidelines and progress of the projects sanctioned earlier.

In the meeting held on 20th January, 2011 the project of Institute of Hotel and Catering Management at Dethali was prioritised for the year 2011-12.

(e) Certain clarifications have been recently sought from the State Government regarding adherence to some provisions of the existing scheme guidelines.

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3997. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state: