

1	2	3	4	5	6
Dec. 11	225.0	141.5	53.54	12046	7575
Mar. 12	214.5	148.5	50.38	10806	7481
June 12	223.5	137.5	55.41	12385	7619
Sept. 12	146	103.5	54.30	7928	5620
Nov. 12	158.5	121.5	54.75	8678	6652

Note: Price of Coking Coal are spot prices of hard coking coal FOB Australia.

Price of Iron Ore are spot prices of 63.5% Fe Iron Ore CFR China

Source: \* SBB, as provided by Economic Research Unit, Ministry of Steel;

\*\* Economic Research Unit, Ministry of Steel;

\*\*\* Estimated by Economic Research Unit, Ministry of Steel).

#### **Promotion of tourism industry in NE-India**

3070. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any project proposal from the State of Assam for the schemes Revenue Generating project including Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits and Destination Development Schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and present status of these projects; and

(c) the details of total outlay, annual allocation, amount released, utilization, progress and achievement made from the ten per cent budgetary allocation to Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) for the development and promotion of tourism industry of North East Region (NER)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) The development and promotion of tourism is undertaken primarily by State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. The Ministry of Tourism, however, extends financial assistance to State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations for tourism related projects which are identified in consultation with them during annual prioritization meetings under various tourism schemes of the Ministry, subject to availability of funds.

The Ministry of Tourism has not received any project proposal from the State Government of Assam during the Eleventh plan period (2007-08 to 2011-12) and in the current financial year (2012-13) under "Large Revenue Generating Projects (LRG)" scheme. Further no proposal have been received from them under the

scheme "Product/Infrastructure Development for Destination and Circuits (PIDDC)" during the current financial year (2012-13). However, the amount sanctioned for various tourism infrastructure projects under the scheme "PIDDC" during the Eleventh Plan period is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) Since the funds released by the Ministry of Tourism for the development and promotion of tourism in North East Region has exceeded the 10% earmarked plan outlay, no allocation has been made to Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR).

The detail of annual plan outlay, 10% earmarked outlay and the annual release for the development and promotion of tourism industry of North East Region during the Eleventh five year plan is as follows.

(Rs. in crore)				
Sl. No.	Year	Annual Plan Outlay (Revised Estimate)	10% of the Plan Outlay	Funds Released
1.	2007-08	953.00	96.00	180.34
2.	2008-09	1000.00	100.00	178.11
3.	2009-10	950.00	95.00	179.99
4.	2010-11	1000.00	100.00	197.20
5.	2011-12	1050.00	105.00	137.85

#### **Statement**

#### *Projects sanctioned during Eleventh plan*

(Rs. in crore)			
Sl. No.	Name of project	Amount sanctioned	Present Status as on 18.12.2012
1	2	3	4
<b>2007-08</b>			
1.	Development of Tourist Circuit- Dhubari-Mahamaya-Barpeta-Hajo in Western Assam	4.98	Completed
2.	Development of Tourist Circuit-Barak Valley and TOO Hill District in Southern Assam	6.05	Under Execution

1	2	3	4
3.	Setting up of Sound and Light Show at Talatal Ghar in Shibsagar District	1.59	Under Execution
	TOTAL	12.62	

**2008-09**

1.	Development of Tourist Circuit-Dibru Saikhowa National Park-Makum-Margherita-Digboi	3.32	Under Execution
2.	Development of Tourist Circuit - Kaziranga-Sivasagar-Jorhat (East Assam Circuit)	4.53	Under Execution
3.	Development of Tourist Circuit - Kaliabor-Jakhlabandha-Nagaon.	6.69	Under Execution
4.	Development of Buddhist Tourist Circuit in Assam	6.53	Under Execution
	TOTAL	21.07	

**2009-10**

1.	Samaguri Lake- Morikolong- Badulikorung-Chapanala-Akashiganga" Tourist Circuit in Assam	4.36	Under Execution
2.	Destination Development of Koya Kujia Lake, North-Salmara, Bongai Gaon for the year 2009-10	3.79	Under Execution
3.	Destination development on the Bank of Brahmaputra at Guwahati	2.01	Under Execution
	TOTAL	10.16	

**2010-11**

1.	Development of Sarthebari-Barpeta-Patbaosi-Konora-Baghbor-Sorbhog Heritage Circuit in Assam	7.08	Under Execution
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1	2	3	4
2.	Development of Wayside Amenities along NH 31, 37 and 52 in Assam	7.31	Under Execution
3.	Destination of Haflong, NC Hills along with Heliport in Assam under the scheme of Destination Development.	4.76	Under Execution
4.	Development of Sualkuchi as Tourist Destination in Assam	4.41	Under Execution
TOTAL		23.56	

**2011-12**

1.	Development of Tourist Infrastructure including Ghat and Jetties along the Brahmaputra Riverways" (Tribal Area)	6.59	Under Execution
2.	Development of Tourist Destination of Samaguri Lake in Nagaon District in Assam	3.48	Under Execution
TOTAL		10.07	

**Special package for development of tourism in Assam**

3071. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister or TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has prepared a special package for development of tourism in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to promote tourism in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) The following special package has been prepared by the Government for development of tourism in North East Region, including Assam:

- i. Provision of complimentary space to the North Eastern States in India Pavilions set up at major International Travel Fairs and Exhibitions.
- ii. Relaxation in Leave Travel Concession (LTC) norms for Central Government employees.