250 Written Answers to	[RAJYA SABHA]	Unstarred Questions
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UK	London, Birmingham, Manchester	39.07
France	Paris	7.18
Italy	Rome, Torino, Milan	19.61
Poland	Warsaw	7.80
Russia	Moscow, St. Petersburg	19.60
Israel	Tel Aviv	9.59
Australia	Sydney, Melbourne	52.52
New Zealand	Auckland	21.50
China	Beijing, Shanghai, Kunming	16.74
Vietnam	Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City	11.06
Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	12.16
Thailand	Bangkok	7.49
Singapore	Singapore	15.49
Kenya	Nairobi	2.83
Tanzania	Dar-es-Salaam	2.83
UAE	Dubai	34.85
Oman	Muscat	34.46
Turkey	Ankara, Istanbul	114.70
Saudi Arabia	Dammam, Riyadh, Jeddah	52.54
Jordon	Amman	27.84

## Initiative to promote tourism in the country

 $4010.\ SHRI\ NARESH\ AGRAWAL:$  Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any initiative to promote new tourism spots in the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has taken any initiative to improve connectivity and facilities at these new tourism spots;
  - (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) Development and promotion of tourism, including new tourism spots, is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.

In addition, the Ministry of Tourism also promotes India as a holistic destination in the domestic and international markets, including the various tourism destinations and products in the different States/Union Territories of the country through media campaigns, tourist literature and publicity material.

(c) to (e) Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance to State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for tourism projects based on proposals, received from them which are complete in all respects as per the Scheme Guidelines, *inter-se*-priority and subject to availability of funds.

Further, Ministry of Tourism organizes meetings with Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Civil Aviation and other concerned organizations from time to time in order to improve the connectivity to major tourist centres in the country. Under the Scheme 'Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits', Ministry of Tourism also provides Central Financial Assistance for last mile connectivity to the tourism destinations.

## Tourism projects sanctioned for Jharkhand

- 4011. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:
- (a) the details of tourism projects sanctioned during the Tenth and Eleventh Five Year Plan for Jharkhand;
  - (b) how many of these have so far been completed;
  - (c) the projects which are yet to be completed; and