

(b) whether despite the production of iron ore, the country has to resort to its import;

(c) the quantum of share of total production of iron ore in the country being exported; and

(d) the quantum of demand of iron ore by the public and private sector steel plants installed in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) Yes, Sir. The production of iron ore in the country has been above the domestic requirements during the last three years.

(b) Decision regarding import of Iron ore is taken by the individual steel producers based on their requirements.

(c) Details on last three years' iron ore production, domestic consumption, import/export, share of export *vis-a-vis* production are given in the table below:—

[In Million Tonnes (MT)]

Year	Iron ore production	Domestic consumption/ requirement (e)	Iron ore import*	Iron ore export*	Share of export with production
2010-11	207.16	107.22	1.87	97.66	47.1%
2011-12	168.58	100.57	0.97	61.74	36.6%
2012-13*	136.02	103.40	3.05	18.37	13.5%

(Source: Production/Consumption — Indian Bureau of Mines, Ministry of Mines; Import/Export — MMTC, Ministry of Commerce; *Provisional; e - Estimated)

(d) As per the report of the Working Group on Steel Industry for the Twelfth Five Year Plan, the iron ore requirement for the year 2013-14 is 149.43 MT.

Funds for development of tourism in Uttarakhand

†1721. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds released to States for promoting tourism during the years 2012 and 2013;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether the Ministry would consider to provide a Special Economic Package for the development of world famous tourist spots, Auli and Jim Corbett National Park in the State of Uttarakhand; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to various State Governments/Union Territory Administration for various tourism projects prioritized every year in consultation with them subject to availability of funds, *inter-se* priority and adherence to the scheme guidelines. The number of tourism projects and amount sanctioned to various State Governments/UT Administrations during the year 2012-13 and 2013-14 is given in Statement-I and Statement-II (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India had taken a lead in offering Central Financial Assistance of Rs. 100.00 crore to Uttarakhand immediately after the disaster struck there. Subsequently the total amount of Central Financial Assistance for the year was enhanced to Rs. 253.00 crores *inter-alia* for rebuilding/building destroyed/damaged Government tourism assets.

The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned Central Financial Assistance of Rs. 602.00 lakh in the financial year 2007-08 for Development of Eco Huts at Auli, District Chamoli, Uttarakhand and for Development of Corbett National Park as Tourist Circuit of Rs. 461.62 lakh in the financial year 2010-11.

Statement-I

Number of projects and amount sanctioned* during 2012-13
(till 31st March, 2013)*

(Rs. in crore)

Sl No.	State	2012-13	
		No.	Amount
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10	104.97
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	17	66.33

1	2	3	4
3.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0.00
4.	Assam	0	0.00
5.	Bihar	0	0.00
6.	Chandigarh	0	0.00
7.	Chhattisgarh	0	0.00
8.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0	0.00
9.	Daman and Diu	0	0.00
10.	Delhi	1	24.37
11.	Goa	2	0.50
12.	Gujarat	1	4.87
13.	Haryana	0	0.00
14.	Himachal Pradesh	5	29.80
15.	Jammu and Kashmir	27	112.86
16.	Jharkhand	2	48.86
17.	Kerala	6	78.26
18.	Karnataka	0	0.00
19.	Lakshadweep	0	0.00
20.	Maharashtra	6	79.64
21.	Manipur	1	0.50
22.	Meghalaya	7	0.68
23.	Mizoram	4	1.12
24.	Madhya Pradesh	16	206.50
25.	Nagaland	17	47.60
26.	Odisha	2	0.61
27.	Puducherry	0	0.00

1	2	3	4
28.	Punjab	0	0.00
29.	Rajasthan	0	0.00
30.	Sikkim	4	20.75
31.	Tamil Nadu	2	20.42
32.	Tripura	0	0.00
33.	Uttar Pradesh	7	21.29
34.	Uttarakhand	2	12.97
35.	West Bengal	2	46.94
GRAND TOTAL:		136	929.84

*Includes Projects relating to Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits (PIDDC), Human Resource Development (HRD), Fairs and Festivals and Rural Tourism (RT).

Statement-II

Number of projects and amount sanctioned* during 2013-14
(till 31st December, 2013)*

(Rs. in crore)

Sl No.	State	2013-14	
		No.	Amount
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	14	49.36
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	11	74.74
3.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0.00
4.	Assam	0	0.00
5.	Bihar	11	57.34
6.	Chandigarh	0	0.00
7.	Chhattisgarh	1	0.25

1	2	3	4
8.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0	0.00
9.	Daman and Diu	0	0.00
10.	Delhi	0	0.00
11.	Goa	0	0.00
12.	Gujarat	0	0.00
13.	Haryana	7	9.87
14.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0.00
15.	Jammu and Kashmir	34	35.98
16.	Jharkhand	1	5.00
17.	Kerala	3	9.59
18.	Karnataka	0	0.00
19.	Lakshadweep	0	0.00
20.	Maharashtra	5	22.62
21.	Manipur	9	72.35
22.	Meghalaya	0	0.00
23.	Mizoram	10	47.11
24.	Madhya Pradesh	10	103.27
25.	Nagaland	9	52.22
26.	Odisha	12	65.43
27.	Puducherry	0	0.00
28.	Punjab	0	0.00
29.	Rajasthan	0	0.00
30.	Sikkim	14	104.85
31.	Tamil Nadu	0	0.00
32.	Tripura	0	0.00

1	2	3	4
33.	Uttar Pradesh	13	72.48
34.	Uttarakhand	17	140.19
35.	West Bengal	0	0.00
GRAND TOTAL:		181	922.65

*Includes Projects relating to Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits (PIDDC), Human Resource Development (HRD), Fairs and Festivals.

Development of tourism in NER

1722. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State and year-wise number of foreign as well as domestic tourist arrivals in North Eastern Region (NER) during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the number of tourists visiting NER every year is increasing constantly;

(c) if so, the plan contemplated by Government with regard to cleanliness of tourist destinations, seamless travel between States and basic infrastructure with modern amenities in NER;

(d) whether safety and security of tourists, especially women tourists remains uncertain in NER as well as in several parts of the country; and

(e) if so, the details of the steps taken by Government to ensure adequate security to tourists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) The number of Domestic and Foreign Tourist visits in North Eastern Region (Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim) during 2010, 2011 and 2012 are given in the Statement (*See* below). The figures for 2013 have not yet been finalized.

(c) The Ministry of Tourism has launched a Campaign Clean India to sensitize all sections of society on the importance of cleanliness and hygiene in public places particularly monuments and tourist destinations. The campaign is a blend of persuasion, education, training, demonstration and sensitization of all sections of our society. The objective is to ensure an acceptable level of cleanliness and hygiene practices at tourist