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<b>2012-13</b>					
1. Product Infrastructure Development of Destination and Circuits.	16	20650.46	7021.54	3283.30	
2. Fairs and Festivals	4	34.00	34.00	0.00	
3. Rural Tourism	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	
4. Information Technology	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL	20	20684.46	7055.54	3283.30	

**Tourism projects for Tamil Nadu identified for  
Central Financial Assistance**

2921. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified any tourism projects to provide Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for the State of Tamil Nadu during last three years in consultation with State Government; and

(b) if so, the details of the projects identified during the last three years, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) The development and promotion of various tourism destinations and products is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry of Tourism, however, provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for tourism projects identified in consultation with them, subject to the availability of funds, *inter-se* priority and adherence to scheme guidelines.

The details of the projects prioritized for grant of CFA in Tamil Nadu during

last three years are given in Statement (See below).

**Statement**

*The details of the projects prioritized for Tamil Nadu during last three years*

Sl.No.	Name of the projects
<b>2011-12</b>	
1.	Development of Kallanai in Thanjavur District
2.	Development of Vaigai Dam in Theni District
3.	Development of Thiruvanaikaval in Trichy
4.	Construction of Convention Centre, Madurai
5.	Development of Bhavanisagar Dam, Erode
6.	Development of Jedarpalayam, Namakkal
7.	Development of Valparai-Azhiyar Dam, Coimbatore
8.	Development of Sriviliputhur in Virudhunagar District Development of Botanical Garden at Coimbatore
9.	Night Safari near Arignar Anna Zoological Park Dropped and another project prioritized.
<b>2012-13</b>	
1.	Development of Sriperumbudur/Saint Ramanujar Birth Place in Kancheepuram District
2.	Infrastructure Development at Alagarkovil in Madurai District
3.	Construction of MICE Tourism Convention Centre at Madurai
4.	Development of Sittannavasal in Pudukottai District

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Sl.No.	Name of the projects
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5.	Development of Mukkombu in Tiruchirapalli District
6.	Development of Megamalai in Theni District
7.	Development of Courtallam in Tirunelveli District
8.	Infrastructure facilities and providing cement concrete road in four car streets at Tiruchendur in Thoothukudi District
9.	Two projects for wayside amenities and one Mega Project (to be identified by State Govt.)

*Projects carried forward from the year 2011-12 to 2012-13*

10. Development of Valparai-Azhiyar Dam, Coimbatore
11. Development of Botanical Garden at Yercaud in Salem District.

**2013-14**

1. Development of Vellore
  2. Destination Development of Mekarai Village, Kadalyanallur Atchanpudur Taluk, Tiruvelveli District as tourism spot.
  3. Providing the pathways, Solar lights around Arumigu, Subramaniya Swamy Temple at Sivanmalai and Sennimalai at Kangeyan Taluk, Tirupur District.
  4. Development of Srivilliputhur, Virudhu Nagar District.
  5. Development of Bhavanisagar Dam, Erode District.
  6. Development of Botanical Garden in Coimbatore District
  7. Virudhunagar -Virudhunagar National Highway - NH7-Kooraikundu Village
  8. Rural Tourism-Chettinad
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Sl.No.      Name of the projects

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*Projects carried forward from the year 2012-13 to 2013-14*

9.      Construction of MICE Tourism Convention Centre at Madurai.
  10.     Development of Courtallam in Tirunelveli District.
  11.     Development of Valparai-Azhiyar Dam, Coimbatore.
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**Number of tourists visiting the country**

2922. SHRI P. RAJEEVE : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

- (a)    how many tourists visited the country during the last three years; and
- (b)    if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI) : (a) and (b) The number of Domestic Tourist Visits (DTV's) and Foreign Tourist Visits (FTV's) during 2010, 2011 and 2012 are given below:

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Year	DTV's (in million)	FTV's (in million)
2010	747.70	17.91
2011	864.53	19.50
2012(P)	1036.35	20.73

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P: Provisional

The State/UT-wise break ups of DTV's and FTV's are given in Statement. This information is not available for 2013.