

Adding new tourist places on tourist map

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

(a) whether the Ministry has received proposals/requests from States to add new tourist places of the States on tourist map of India;

(b) if so, the details of proposals/requests received;

(c) if not, whether the Ministry is ready to contemplate such proposals from States in future; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) and (b) The promotion of tourist destinations and products is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration.

In the recent past, the Ministry of Tourism has not received any specific proposals/requests from States to add new tourist places of the States in the tourist map of India.

(c) Proposals if any, received in the Ministry would be considered as per merits of the case.

(d) Does not arise.

Establishing of Expo-cum-Convention Centre in Goa

457. SHRI SHANTARAM NAIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made as regards establishing Expo-cum-Convention Centre in Goa;

(b) whether the architectural plan of the project has been drawn;

(c) what are the facilities contemplated under the plan;

(d) the total amount expected to be incurred;

(e) whether details regarding sharing of expenditure between the Central Government/State Government/Private companies have been worked out;

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