GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1751# ANSWERED ON 09.03.2021

SETTING UP OF IITM AT BODH GAYA, BIHAR

1751#. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

Will the Minister of **TOURISM** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Central Government had granted ₹ 50 crores to set up Indian Institute of Travel and Tourism Management (IITM) at Bodh Gaya in Bihar;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the completion of construction work and the academic session of this institute was scheduled to start in the year 2019 itself but it could not be started so far; and
- (c) the reasons for delay along with the details of progress achieved, so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a): Setting up of IITTM centre at Bodh Gaya was in-principally approved with an estimated cost of ₹ 50.00 Cr.
- (b) & (c): The construction work could not be started due to non-availability of suitable piece of land. Now in the month of February, 2021, State Government of Bihar has communicated allotment of five acres of land at Bodh Gaya.

In the meantime, IITTM has started Linguistic Tourist Facilitator Courses in Chinese, Thai, Japanese, Vietnamese languages with effect from 2019 from the State Institute of Hotel Management (SIHM), Bodh Gaya campus. During the year 2018-19 and 2019-20, 525 persons have been trained.
