

(f) whether the revised guidelines have been issued to the DTO operation; and

(g) if so, the details of steps taken by DTO's operation to expedite the allotment of PCO's?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) to (g) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Admission of SC/ST Students to Hotel Management Institutions

2506. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dr. Ambedkar Birth Centenary Celebrations Committee headed by the Prime Minister recommended for ensuring admission of students from SCs/STs community to the fullest extent of the quota of seats reserved for this community in all the educational/academic institutions in the year 1993;

(b) the total year-wise number of students admitted in different faculties/ disciplines in the Diploma in Hotel Management and Catering Technology in all the Hotel Management Institutions run by his Ministry during the last three years; and

(c) the number of SCs/STs among them alongwith their percentage?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) As per norms, 15 per cent and 7.5 per cent seats are reserved each year for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes students respectively for all the courses conducted by the Institutes of Hotel Management.

(b) and (c) The number of SCs/STs students admitted in various courses during the last three years is as under:—

I. Admission in Three-Year Diploma Course

Year	No. of students admitted	No. of SC/ST students admitted	% of SC/ST students admitted
1997-98	2014	438	21.74%
1998-99	2185	460	21.05%
1999-2000	2245	424	18.88%

2. Admission in P.G. Diploma Course

1997-98	250	28	11.20%
1998-99	290	31	10.68%
1999-2000	274	18	6.56%

3. Admission in Craft Level and Certificate Courses

1997-98	539	89	16.51%
1998-99	553	76	13.74%
1999-2000	610	79	12.95%

Pending Tourism Projects

†2507. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI:
DR. A. K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several tourism projects in various States have been lying pending till date since Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the names of the States and projects for which approval was accorded by Government during the said period together with the amount of Central assistance provided to each State for each project;

(c) whether Government have asked State Governments to submit the report of the progress made in this regard; and

(d) if so, the names of the States which have submitted the said reports and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) State-wise list is given in the Statement. (See below)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Completion Certificates have been received in respect of 237 projects as per the above Statement.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.