

Government of India has formulated Schemes for Integrated Development of Tourists Circuits and Product/Infrastructure and Destination Development in the States/UTs during the Tenth Five Year Plan. During the year 2002-03, 212 tourism projects amounting to Rs. 111 crores have been sanctioned for development and promotion of tourism in the country.

Upgradation of Kaziranga and Manas National Park in Assam

2760. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of action plan for the development of tourism industry in Assam in tune with the current financial budget;

(b) whether Government have any collaborative projects with the Environment and Forest Ministry to upgrade the standard of Kaziranga and Manas National Park; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN):
(a) to (c) Department of Tourism, Government of India has two major schemes namely Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits and Product, Infrastructure and Destination Development for promotion of Tourism. During the year 2002-2003 following projects have been sanctioned for Government of Assam:—

- (1) River Front Development along Brahmaputra
- (2) Development of Ethnic Village at Bhalukpong
- (3) Camping Site at Khora
- (4) Signages
- (5) Majuli Island Resort
- (6) Rural Tourism at Phumen Ingti
- (7) Rangoli Bihu Festival
- (8) Majuli Festival
- (9) Construction of facilities for pilgrims at Kamakhya