

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1477  
ANSWERED ON 01.07.2019**

**FORMATION OF FIVE SPECIAL TOURISM ZONES**

**1477. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Special Tourism Zones in partnership with State Governments;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the locations identified for this purpose, State/UT-wise;**
- (c) whether these special zones will be anchored as Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) that will be set up in partnership with the States as announced in Union Budget for 2017-18 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred in this regard; and**
- (e) the percentage of utilization of the funds released for the creation of the Five Special Tourism Zones?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e): Pursuant to Budget announcements of 2017-18, the Ministry of Tourism has initiated action on formulation of scheme guidelines for development of five Special Tourism Zones in the country anchored on SPV (Special Purpose Vehicle) in partnership with the states. The Ministry envisages to implement the scheme on challenge model.**

**The scheme is not approved yet and no locations has been identified for development.**

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