GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1117 ANSWERED ON 11.02.2020

LOSS INCURRED BY TOURISM SECTOR

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the efforts being made by Government to attract tourists to visit country's tourist destinations have not been fully successful;
- (b) whether Government proposes to make some significant changes in it's strategy having explored the new possibilities in the field of tourism;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that tourism sector is suffering huge losses on account of ongoing sit in-demonstrations across the country; and
- (d) if so, the measures being taken by Government to resolve this issue?

ANSWER

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

(a): No, Sir. There has been an increase in foreign tourist arrivals (FTAs) to the country in the last three years as given below:

Year	FTAs (in Million)
2017	10.04
2018	10.56
2019	10.89
(Provisional)	

- (b): The promotional strategies of the Ministry of Tourism takes into account the widespread, interrelated global development and advancements, which have a strong bearing on the Tourism sector. Accordingly, the Ministry of Tourism has shifted its focus from generic to more targeted campaign under the "Incredible India 2.0" launched in 2017.
- (c) & (d): No assessment has been done regarding impact on tourism sector on account of ongoing sit in-demonstrations across the country.
