

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1219
ANSWERED ON 25.11.2019**

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR RAJKIYA MAHOTSAV IN ITKHORI

†1219. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any financial assistance has been given for the Rajkiya Mahotsav in Itkhori, Jharkhand during the last five years;**
- (b) if so, the amount given and the date on which it was released;**
- (c) the reason for not releasing funds for Rajkiya Itkhori Mahotsav in 2019; and**
- (d) the time by which the Government proposes to release this fund?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir.

In the year 2017-18 Central Financial Assistance of Rs.25 lakh was provided to Government of Jharkhand on 23.03.2018 for Celebration of Itkhori Festival.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Tourism has already sanctioned Rs.50 lakhs for Celebration of Bhairavnath Mahotsav and Sharad Mahotsav, Nehtrahat amounting to Rs.25 lakhs each. As per the relevant guidelines, Ministry of Tourism provides maximum of Rs.50 lakh Central Financial Assistance to various States for Celebration of Fairs & Festivals in one financial year.
