

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
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WINE TOURISM IN KARNATAKA

1431. SHRI G.C. CHANDRASHEKHAR:

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

- (a) whether Government wish to share the information regarding the wine tourism in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government wish to promote wine tourism in Karnataka in view of growing large number of vineyards in the State, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Promotion and Development of tourism is primarily responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.

The State Governments of Karnataka, Haryana & Tamil Nadu have informed that they are not promoting wine tourism.

The State Government of Maharashtra has informed that there are many vineyards in Nasik district of Maharashtra, where local grape producers and wine factory owners together celebrate the wine festival every year to attract both domestic and foreign tourist. For promotion of wine tourism in Maharashtra, the State Government has constituted a Wine Tourism Advisory Committee and, Wine Tourism has also been included in the Maharashtra Tourism Policy, 2016.

The Department of tourism, Govt of Goa has informed that they annually organise Grape Escapade Festival in the month of February/March to promote and showcase Goa's Cuisine and traditional culture of rich culinary delights.
