

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1237
ANSWERED ON 06.12.2021**

**SET UP OF INTERNATIONAL TOURIST CENTRES AT KARNAL AND
PANIPAT**

†1237. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the companies working at international level intend to invest in the tourism sector of India through FDI and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up tourist centres for creating employment opportunities in the tourism sector and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up International Tourist Centres at Panipat in Karnal Parliamentary Constituency to promote tourism and create employment opportunities; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a): Yes, Sir. International entities are interested to invest in the tourism sector in India. 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is allowed under the automatic route in the Tourism and Hospitality industry in India, subject to applicable regulations and laws. 100% FDI is allowed in tourism construction projects, including the development of hotels, resorts and recreational facilities. However, the Ministry of Tourism does not compile data on FDI in the tourism sector in India.

(b) to (d): Development of tourism, including setting up of tourism centres, is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State/ UTs. However, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned one project under the 'Swadesh Darshan' Scheme in Haryana, as per the following:

State	Circuit	Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
Haryana	Krishna Circuit	2016-17	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at places related to Mahabharata in Kurukshetra	97.35
