

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.+3306
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DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN MOUNT ABU

+3306. SHRI LUMBA RAM:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether currently there is only one road to reach the tourist hill station Mount Abu which goes from Abu Road to Mount Abu;**
- (b) whether traffic on the road stalls and connectivity disrupts due to accidents and landslides on this hilly road during the rainy season;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to construct a 23 km road from Gulabganj to Mount Abu keeping in view the development of tourism in Mount Abu and the safety of tourists; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourism destinations is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Government (SG)/Union Territory Administration (UT). The Ministry of Tourism under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan (SD)' and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' complements tourism development efforts undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations by extending financial assistance to SGs/UTs in synergy with the scheme guidelines, availability of funds etc. Construction of roads does not come under the purview of these schemes.

The State Government of Rajasthan has informed that currently there is only one road to reach the tourist hill station Mount Abu which goes from Abu Road to Mount Abu and sometimes the traffic on the road stalls and connectivity disrupts due to accidents and landslides on this hilly road during the rainy season.

Further, the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has informed that the road from Abu Road to Mount Abu is a State Road, which does not come under its purview.
