GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3586 ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025

STATUS OF TOURIST INFLOW

3586. SHRI SUNIL BOSE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a steep rise in foreign tourists visiting the country during the current year as compared to last year;
- (b) if so, the number and status of tourist inflow in the country during the last three years and the current year, country-wise along with the revenue earned therefrom and its impact on GDP of the country;
- (c) whether the Government has started new tourism projects and opened tourism offices abroad, if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure incurred to run these foreign offices during the said period, country-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government has provided/proposes to provide any special package to various State Governments to attract more tourists in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): The Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India during the last three years and current year is given below:

Year	FTAs (in lakh)		
2022	64.37		
2023	95.21		
2024	99.52		
2025 (Jan to April) (P)	32.41		

(P): Provisional

Source: Bureau of Immigration

Country-wise FTAs for the last three years and current year is placed at the Annexure.

The Foreign Exchange Earnings from tourism in India during the same period is given below:

Year	FEEs from Tourism in India (in Rs. Crore)		
2022	1,69,917		
2023	2,66,045		
2024*2	2,93,033		
2025 (Jan to April) (P)	98,289		

#2: Revised Estimates

(P): Provisional Estimates

The contribution of tourism sector to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for 2021-22 to 2023-24 is given below:

Year	Total Share in GDP (in %)		
2021-22	1.75		
2022-23*	5.09		
2023-24 (P)	5.22		

*: Revised estimates

(P): Provisional estimates

Source: Estimates based on the National Account Statistics (NAS) 2025

- (c): The Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a tourist destination in overseas markets through various initiatives in collaboration with the Indian Missions abroad. At present, the Ministry does not have any dedicated tourism offices overseas.
- (d): While Promotion and development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State/UT, Ministry of Tourism under the schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan', 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation & Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' and 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for the development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities at various tourism destinations in the country.

Ministry has revamped Swadesh Darshan Scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible destinations following a destination centric approach.

Further, Government of India during the financial year 2024-25 has sanctioned 40 projects in 23 States for ₹3295.76 Crore under 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) – Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale' Scheme.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3586 ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025 REGARDING STATUS OF TOURIST INFLOW RAISED BY SHRI SUNIL BOSE

Country-wise Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) during the last three years and the current year:

S.					2025 (Jan to
No.	Country	2022	2023	2024	April) (P)
1	United States	14,03,399	16,91,498	18,04,586	6,03,841
2	Bangladesh	12,77,557	21,19,826	17,50,165	1,33,363
3	United Kingdom	6,41,051	9,20,591	10,22,587	4,15,056
4	Australia	3,76,898	4,56,167	5,18,205	1,77,636
5	Canada	2,89,259	3,85,938	4,76,273	2,13,699
6	Malaysia	1,26,192	2,62,458	3,07,526	1,29,122
7	Sri Lanka				·
		1,83,459	2,80,327	2,81,827	1,12,531
8	Germany	1,41,425	2,23,575	2,56,348	1,04,170
9	France	1,20,282	1,88,981	2,06,855	88,536
10	Singapore	1,32,668	1,83,772	2,05,383	68,562
11	Nepal	1,38,203	1,95,445	2,02,501	67,631
12	Japan	64,196	1,50,521	1,94,875	75,108
13	Russian Fed.	97,911	1,64,125	1,60,188	78,433
14	Italy	62,226	1,16,031	1,42,239	59,710
15	Thailand	54,367	1,16,060	1,40,489	57,056
16	Rep. of Korea	49,423	97,726	1,12,924	23,536
17	Netherlands	55,019	82,047	93,579	35,957
18	Portugal	69,522	81,916	92,582	34,830
19	Maldives	71,707	83,776	84,770	23,633
20	Spain	39,658	73,412	81,959	28,840
21	New Zealand	54,974	72,458	81,115	30,574
22	Oman	56,474	71,980	66,703	19,642
23	United Arab Emirates	43,702	59,480	66,699	14,760
24	Philippines	28,379	50,064	57,542	19,627
25	Vietnam	37,232	57,284	54,091	20,585
26	Kenya	35,743	49,574	52,294	17,939
27	Mauritius	24,743	40,442	48,683	22,966
28	Myanmar	15,963	51,235	47,588	26,778
29	Israel	36,418	44,996	47,465	23,296
30	Ireland	30,959	39,166	46,494	17,385
31	Saudi Arabia	18,513	39,127	46,167	13,289
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32	South Africa	25,860	41,969	44,168	15,460
33	Switzerland	25,255	41,004	44,122	17,558
34	Poland	18,025	35,457	43,316	19,283
35	Bhutan	20,772	35,123	41,265	17,706
36	Sweden	22,372	36,007	41,246	14,623
37	Iraq	36,277	36,012	40,247	11,972
38	Belgium	24,172	36,158	39,813	16,304
39	Indonesia	13,961	32,677	39,227	15,190
40	China	11,762	30,585	38,960	14,703
41	Turkey	18,996	33,590	35,829	12,218
42	Tanzania	18,581	26,790	30,730	10,402
43	Austria	18,375	27,420	30,393	13,751
44	Kazakhstan	9,546	22,342	27,006	14,293
45	Pakistan	16,637	28,329	26,625	12,932
46	Brazil	12,301	21,977	24,782	10,261
47	Denmark	12,331	20,200	22,456	9,836
48	Norway	13,449	20,057	21,682	9,118
49	Iran	13,064	18,733	21,406	9,450
50	Mexico	8,915	16,095	18,408	7,248
51	Egypt	9,612	15,909	17,825	5,964
52	Ukraine	7,304	11,502	14,875	6,133
53	Bahrain	9,959	13,932	14,041	4,085
54	Czech Rep.	6,287	11,656	13,890	6,482
55	Yemen	19,022	21,400	13,085	3,610
56	Finland	8,781	12,241	12,764	4,846
57	Sudan	24,930	14,791	10,887	3,869
58	Greece	4,988	9,206	10,596	4,254
59	Nigeria	10,072	11,466	10,059	3,079
60	Argentina	4,720	9,985	9,638	5,375
61	Hungary	4,298	8,156	9,040	4,323
62	Afghanistan	1,617	1,204	1,253	545
	Others	2,07,704	3,68,957	4,31,386	1,77,719
	Grand Total	64,37,467	95,20,928	99,51,722	32,40,683

Source: Bureau of Immigration

(P): Provisional
