

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2383#**  
ANSWERED ON 12.03.2026

**STATUS OF GOLF TOURISM**

2383# SMT. DARSHANA SINGH:

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

- (a) the current status of golf tourism in the country;
- (b) the number of international-standard golf courses currently operational and the States in which they are located;
- (c) the number of foreign and domestic tourists availing golf tourism during the last three years; and
- (d) the future action plan of Government to further promote golf tourism?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and products, including golf tourism is undertaken by the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration.

Ministry of Tourism has framed guidelines for extending financial support for promotion of golf tourism. The Ministry invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from the Golf Clubs, Golf Event Managers, State Governments/ UT Administrations, approved Tour Operators/ approved Travel Agents and Corporate Houses seeking financial support from Ministry of Tourism for Golf Events, Golf Shows, Golf Promotional Workshops/ Events/ Annual Meetings/ Seminars eligible for financial support.

The Ministry of Tourism does not maintain data on the number of golf courses or number of foreign and domestic tourists availing golf tourism.

The details of various projects sanctioned by the Ministry to promote golf tourism is given at **Annexure**.

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**ANNEXURE**

**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2383# ANSWERED ON 12.03.2026 REGARDING STATUS OF GOLF TOURISM RAISED BY SMT. DARSHANA SINGH**

**Initiatives in Golf Tourism****List of Projects Sanctioned under the Scheme Assistance to Central Agencies****Rs. in Lakhs**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Sanction Date</b>	<b>Amount sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
1.	Project for Up- gradation of Golf Course at SAI Trivandrum Golf Club by the Sports Authority of India	Kerala	SAI	31-03-2017	2464.99	1232.49

**List of Projects Sanctioned under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme****Rs. in Crore**

<b>State/ UT</b>	<b>Circuit / Sanction Year</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released / Authorized</b>
Mizoram	North East Circuit 2015-16	Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, District Serchhip and Reiek.	92.26	92.26

The project was sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan- North East Circuit at Thenzawl & South Zote, District Serchhip and Reiek, Mizoram for various components at Thenzawl including the 18- hole Golf Course and associated infrastructure.

**Other initiatives**

“Tapping the Tourism Potential of Kashmir” was organized by the Ministry of Tourism in collaboration with the Government of UT of Jammu and Kashmir, FICCI, and India Golf Tourism Association in Srinagar on April 12-13, 2021 to promote tourism opportunities in Kashmir through exhibitions, brainstorming sessions, and familiarization trips showcasing its cultural heritage, natural beauty, culinary delights, and golf tourism. Approximately 200 participants attended, including media, tour operators, government officials, and foreign ambassadors in India.

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