GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2019

- Secretary (T) led the Indian delegation along with Additional Director General, Ministry of Tourism to attend the World Travel Market (WTM) held in United Kingdom, London from 04th to 06th November 2019. The World Travel Market (WTM) being one of the biggest and leading travel expos in the world, attracts exhibitors from most of the countries of the world and regions. Most of the countries at WTM are represented by a high level Ministerial & Senior most Official level delegation, who interact with tour operators, opinion makers and travel mainstream media around the world under one roof to promote tourism to their countries.
- The Additional Director General, Ministry of Tourism attended Incredible India Road Shows organized by MoT and China International Travel Mart (CITM) 2019 at Chengdu, Chongquing, Kunming from November 12th to 16th 2019 to promote Indian tourism products and destinations.
- The Hon'ble Deputy Prime Minister of Bulgaria along with a high level delegation made a courtesy call on the Hon'ble Minister of State for Tourism & Culture (I/C) on 20.11.2019 to discuss measures to promote two-way tourism between both the countries.
- A Memorandum of Understanding was signed by Hon'ble Minister of State for Tourism & Culture (Independent Charge), Government of Republic of India and the Hon'ble Minister for Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Government of the Republic of Finland on 21.11.2019 for strengthening cooperation in the sphere of tourism.
- Ministry of Tourism in association with the State Government of Manipur organized the "8th International Tourism Mart" (ITM) at Imphal, Manipur from 23rd to 25th November 2019. The Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C) for Culture & Tourism and the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Manipur jointly inaugurated ITM on 23rd November 2019 at Imphal, Manipur. ITM was organized in the North Eastern region with the objective of highlighting the tourism potential of the region in the domestic and international markets. A total of 35 foreign delegates from 18 Countries, 79 domestic sellers from the North Eastern Region and 32 domestic delegates from the Western, Eastern and Northern Region participated in ITM 2019.

- The Director General, Ministry of Tourism attended the 5th Dialogue between 'National Institute for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog' and the Development Research Centre of the State Council of China (DRC) at Wuhan, Xian and Beijing, China from 28th November 2019 to 01st December 2019. The Dialogue witnessed the participation of senior representatives from the Government, industry and academia to deliberate on global issues as well as areas of collaboration between both countries. The meeting was co-chaired by Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog and Secretary of Party Leadership Group, DRC.
- Under 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' (EBSB) initiative, the Ministry of Tourism undertook 7 activities at Central Institutes of Hotel Management (CIHMs), 8 activities at India Tourism Offices & 2 activities at MoT Head Quarters during November 2019.
- MoT disposed 95 public grievances by the end of November 2019 while 49 remained pending.
- India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) Board approved its unaudited half yearly Financial Results for the period ending 30th September 2019 in its meeting held on 14.11.2019. The turnover of ITDC for the period ending 30.09.2019 was Rs.152 Crore as against Rs.164.94 Crore for the period ending 30th September 2018. The revenue from continuing operations of ITDC for the period ending 30th September 2019 was Rs.142.97 Crore against Rs.155.22 Crore during the same period last year. The profit before tax (PBT) from continued operations decreased from Rs.21.61 Crore during the period ending 30th September 2018 to Rs.9.9 Crore during the period ending 30th September 2019.
