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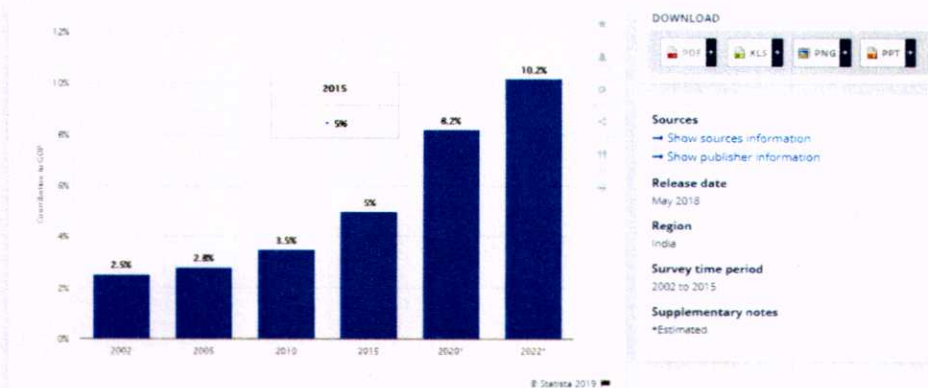
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**Mrs. Mamta Verma (IAS)**  
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Respected Madam,

As you are kindly aware, the Gujarat Tourism Policy 2015-20 is valid till March 2020. The incentives provided in the Policy have been really useful in promoting Tourism sector in Gujarat, which has resulted in an increase in the contribution of Tourism sector in the state's GDP. If the current growth is sustained, the tourism industry is expected to contribute around 10% in State GDP by 2022, as is evident from the below statistics:

**Contribution of tourism to gross domestic product (GDP) of Gujarat in India from 2002 to 2022**



Madam, in view of the increasing contribution of the tourism sector in state's GDP and with the objective of continuing the growth of this sector, GCCI's Regional Council strongly recommends that the term of the policy should be extended beyond March 2020. This will provide a further boost to this fast-growing sector and also help in generating employment in Gujarat as well as help the government in increasing the GST revenue collection.

We look forward to your favourable decision in the matter.

With Regards,

Sincerely,

**Durgesh Buch**  
Chairman

**Copy to: Shri Jenu Devan (IAS), Managing Director & Commissioner of Tourism, Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Ltd**