

# **Chiranjeevi Offers Wide Opportunities to Foreign Film Producers in India Tourism Minister's Address at the Cannes Film Festival**



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Union Tourism Minister Shri K.Chiranjeevi has said that India is a complete Film making destination. Speaking at the Cannes International Film Festival at Cannes, France today, the Minister said “ We try constantly for creating new opportunities for the International Filmmakers, to access diverse Indian locations, and state of the art production and post-production facilities' '. He said India offers a range of locations from magnificent Himalayas to sprawling beaches; from vast deserts to placid lakes and back waters; from legendary Forts to world heritage sites. The Minister said “Our country represents immense vibrancy and enthusiasm waiting to be captured on global cinema screens' '. Shri Chiranjeevi said India is a land of dreams and ideas. There are many films, many musical numbers that have been conceived and shot in India. The Oscar winning film Life of Pi is the latest example.

Referring to the single window clearance system, to facilitate film shooting and making in India the Minister said that Ministries of Information and Broadcasting and Tourism, will work in tandem in simplifying the procedures and fast tracking multiple clearances that are required for shooting. He said “Our endeavor is to offer the filmmakers best of the facilities. I take this opportunity to invite every director, every producer and every actor to India. I promise, you will find the location and facility what you are seeking in our beautiful country”.

Shri Chiranjeevi referred to the Indo- French co-production film ‘The Lunch Box’ which is being screened in Cannes 2013 as part of the Critics’ week and expressed the hope that many foreign film makers will come forward for joint film production with their counterparts in India.

The India Tourism Minister also had a detailed discussion with Ms Aureli Fillipeti, Minister for Culture, France, Mr. Gilles Jacob, President, Cannes Film Festival and Mr. Aung Li ,Director of the film “ Life of Pi”.

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