

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.86
ANSWERED ON 09.02.2023

PRASHAD SCHEME IN ANDHRA PRADESH

86 SHRI MASTHAN RAO BEEDA:

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

- (a) the details of the projects selected under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the status of completion of these projects;
- (c) the details of the funds released so far for these projects;
- (d) whether Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion of new projects under the Scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government in response to such proposals?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.86 ANSWERED ON 09.02.2023 REGARDING PRASHAD SCHEME IN ANDHRA PRADESH.

(a) to (e): As a continuous process, under PRASHAD Scheme of the Ministry of Tourism destinations are identified and projects are approved as per the projects proposals received from the respective State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in line with the Guidelines of the scheme. On the basis of the requests received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati of Guntur, Srisailam of Kurnool, Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narsimha Swami Vari Devasthanam at Simhachalam in Vishakhapatnam, Annavaram Temple Town, Kakinada and Vedagiri Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy Temple, Nellore have been included in the Scheme for development of pilgrimage tourism infrastructure. Status of the projects approved for the State under the Scheme, is given below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Approved Cost (₹ in Cr.)	Execution Status
1	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination	2015-16	27.77	Complete
2	Development of Srisailam Temple	2017-18	43.08	Complete
3	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narsimha Swami Vari Devasthanam at Simhachalam in Vishakhapatnam	2022-23	54.04	Recently approved on 14.12.2022
