

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO.72**  
ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026

**PROJECTS UNDER PRASAD SCHEME**

72 SHRI A. A. RAHIM:

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

- (a) the funds allocated and released to States and Union Territories under PRASAD scheme during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of project proposals received from each State Government under the scheme during the same period and the number of proposals approved, pending or rejected, State-wise;
- (c) the number of proposals submitted by Government of Kerala under the scheme during the last three years and their present status; and
- (d) the reasons for delay, if any, in appraisal or approval of project proposals and the steps taken to streamline the approval process?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.72 ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026 REGARDING PROJECTS UNDER PRASAD SCHEME RAISED BY SHRI A. A. RAHIM**

(a): The Ministry of Tourism under the “Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive” (PRASHAD) provides financial assistance to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism infrastructure at identified religious and heritage sites across the country. Till date the Ministry has sanctioned 54 projects under the PRASHAD Scheme at an estimated cost of Rs. 1726.74 Crores. The details of the projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism under PRASHAD Scheme is given in the **Annexure.**

(b) to (d): Receiving proposals from the State Governments/UT Administrations for financial assistance for tourism projects is a continuous process. The proposals received are examined with reference to the prescribed guidelines and financial assistance is extended for such projects subject to fulfilment of the stipulated conditions and availability of funds.

No proposal for development of pilgrimage/ heritage site in Kerala is presently under the consideration of the Ministry of Tourism under the PRASHAD Scheme. However, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned a project named “Development at Guruvayur Temple” at a cost of Rs.45.19 crore under the PRASHAD Scheme in the year 2016-17 and the said project is complete.

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## ANNEXURE

**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.72 ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026 REGARDING PROJECTS UNDER PRASAD SCHEME RAISED BY SHRI A. A. RAHIM**

List of projects sanctioned under PRASHAD Scheme:-

S. No.	State/UT	Project Name	Sanction Year	Sanction Amount (₹ in Crores)	Amount Released (₹ in Crores)
1	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination	2015-16	27.77	27.77
2	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Srisailem Temple	2017-18	43.08	43.08
3	Andhra Pradesh	Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narsimha Swami Vari Devasthanam at Simhachalam in Vishakhapatnam Temple	2022-23	54.04	27.37
4	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Pilgrimage Tourism Infrastructure in Annavaram Temple Town	2024-25	25.33	6.74
5	Arunachal Pradesh	Development of Parshuram Kund, Lohit Distt.	2020-21	37.88	31.02
6	Assam	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati	2015-16	29.80	29.80
7	Bihar	Development at Patna Sahib	2015-16	29.62	29.62
8	Bihar	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	2014-15	3.63	3.63
9	Bihar	Development of Ambika Bhawani Temple, Saran	2024-25	13.29	0.00
10	Chhattisgarh	Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Dongargarh, Rajnandgaon District, Chhattisgarh	2020-21	48.44	40.19
11	Goa	Development of Bom Jesus Basilica	2024-25	16.46	4.68
12	Gujarat	Development of Dwarka	2016-17	10.46	10.46
13	Gujarat	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath	2016-17	45.36	45.36

14	Gujarat	Development of Promenade at Somnath	2018-19	47.12	47.12
15	Gujarat	Development of Pilgrimage Facilities at Ambaji Temple, Banaskantha, Gujarat	2022-23	50.00	30.00
16	Haryana	Development of Mata Mansa Devi Temple and Nada Saheb Gurudwara in Panchkula District	2019-20	48.53	34.68
17	Jammu & Kashmir	Development at Hazratbal Shrine, Srinagar	2016-17	40.46	34.30
18	Jharkhand	Development of Baba Baidyanath Dham, Deoghar	2018-19	36.79	34.95
19	Karnataka	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Chamundeshwari Devi Temple, Mysuru	2023-24	45.38	13.33
20	Karnataka	Development of Renuka Yallama Devi temple	2024-25	18.37	0.00
21	Karnataka	Development of Basic Amenities at Papnash Temple, Bidar dist.	2024-25	22.25	6.30
22	Kerala	Development at Guruvayur Temple	2016-17	45.19	45.19
23	Madhya Pradesh	Development of Amarkantak	2020-21	49.99	42.55
24	Madhya Pradesh	Development of Omkareshwar	2017-18	43.93	43.93
25	Maharashtra	Development of Trimbakeshwar, Nashik	2017-18	45.41	38.44
26	Meghalaya	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation in Meghalaya	2020-21	29.29	27.78
27	Mizoram	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism in the State of Mizoram	2022-23	44.89	26.37
28	Mizoram	Development of Basic Amenities under PRASHAD scheme in Vangchhia, Champhai District	2024-25	5.47	1.56
29	Nagaland	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland	2018-19	25.20	23.56
30	Nagaland	Development of Pilgrimage Tourism Infrastructure at Zunheboto	2022-23	18.18	15.45

31	Odisha	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham - Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Demuli under Mega Circuit	2014-15	50.00	10.00
32	Puducherry	Development of Pilgrim Facilites& Tourist attractions for Sri Dharbaranyeswara Temple	2024-25	25.94	0.00
33	Punjab	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	2015-16	6.40	6.40
34	Punjab	Development of Chamkaur Sahib at Rupar, Punjab	2021-22	30.52	23.80
35	Rajasthan	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	32.64	26.11
36	Sikkim	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom	2020-21	33.32	28.31
37	Tamil Nadu	Development of Kanchipuram	2016-17	13.99	13.99
38	Tamil Nadu	Development of Velankanni	2016-17	4.86	4.86
39	Tamil Nadu	Development of 8 Navagraha Temples	2024-25	40.94	0.00
40	Telangana	Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur	2020-21	38.90	33.07
41	Telangana	Development of Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism Infrastructure at Rudreshwara (Ramappa) Temple, Mulugu	2022-23	62.00	32.73
42	Telangana	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure at Bhadrachalam, BhadradriKothagudem District	2022-23	41.38	8.43
43	Telangana	Development of Basic Amenities at goddess Renuka Yellama Devasthanam	2024-25	4.22	0.00
44	Tripura	Development of Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur	2020-21	34.43	28.01
45	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Varanasi – Phase –I	2015-16	18.73	18.73
46	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	2014-15	10.98	10.98
47	Uttar Pradesh	River Cruise Tourism in Ganga, Varanasi	2017-18	9.02	9.02

48	Uttar Pradesh	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan	2014-15	9.36	9.36
49	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Varanasi – Phase –II	2017-18	44.60	35.26
50	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan	2018-19	37.59	34.64
51	Uttarakhand	Integrated Development of Kedarnath	2015-16	34.77	34.77
52	Uttarakhand	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham	2018-19	56.15	38.38
53	Uttarakhand	Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities and Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham	2021-22	54.36	10.22
54	West Bengal	Development of Belur Math	2016-17	30.03	23.39

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