

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2895  
ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017**

**RAMAYANA TOURIST CIRCUIT**

**2895. DR. RATNA DE (NAG):**

**SHRI HARI OM PANDAY:**

**SHRI GANESH SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to build Ramayana Circuit in order to encourage tourism;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated by the Government in this regard during the last two years;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include Chitrakoot and Satna districts of Madhya Pradesh in Ramayana Circuit;**
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any plan to develop 84 Kosi Parikarma of Rampath Gaman; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

**(a) and (b): For Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has launched Swadesh Darshan Scheme in 2014-15. Ramayana Circuit has been identified as one of the thirteen thematic circuits for development under the Scheme.**

**Under Ramayana Circuit, Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned the project 'Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur as Ramayana Circuit' in Uttar Pradesh with Central Financial Assistance of Rs.69.45 crore in 2016-17.**

**(c) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism has initially identified following destinations for development under the Ramayana Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.**

- 1. Ayodhya, Nandigram, Shringverpur & Chitrakoot (Uttar Pradesh);**
- 2. Sitamarhi, Buxar & Darbhanga (Bihar);**
- 3. Chitrakoot (Madhya Pradesh);**
- 4. Mahendragiri (Odisha);**
- 5. Jagdalpur (Chattisgarh);**
- 6. Nashik & Nagpur (Maharashtra);**
- 7. Bhadrachalam (Telangana);**
- 8. Hampi (Karnataka);**
- 9. Rameshwaram (Tamil Nadu).**

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