

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†4003
ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017**

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN BUNDELKHAND

†4003. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to boost tourism in Bundelkhand;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to develop Bundelkhand circuit like Ayodhya, Mathura and Gorakhpur circuit;**
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be developed; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) to (d): For development of tourism infrastructure in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has launched two schemes in 2014-15 viz. Swadesh Darshan - Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits and PRASAD- Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive.

Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned projects for Development of Ramayana Circuit, Development of Heritage Circuit and Development of Spiritual Circuit in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The sites of Bundelkhand region covered in these circuits are Chitrakoot, Mahoba and Banda. The details of amount sanctioned for development of these sites are as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Sr. No.	Sites	Amount sanctioned
1	Chitrakoot	43.12
2	Mahoba	6.76
3	Banda	8.20

A time period of 36 months has been specified for completion and commissioning of the above projects.
