

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.†*181
ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018**

HERITAGE CIRCUIT

†*181. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether heritage circuit is being developed in Bundelkhand;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether places of Kalpi and Konch of Jalaun district are likely to be protected through extension of this circuit; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SHRI K. J. ALPHONS)**

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

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.†*181 ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018 REGARDING HERITAGE CIRCUIT.

(a) to (b): Heritage Circuit has been identified as one of the fifteen thematic circuits for development under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme- Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits of Ministry of Tourism. All heritage sites in the country including Bundelkhand are covered under this circuit.

The Ministry has sanctioned following projects for development of Bundelkhand under its Swadesh Darshan Scheme:

(Rs. in crore)

| Sr. No. | Thematic Circuit | Name of project/Date of sanction | Sanctioned Project Cost | District in Bundelkhand covered under the project | Amount sanctioned for Bundelkhand |
|----------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. | Ramayana | Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur as Ramayana Circuit in Uttar Pradesh. 29.09.2016 | 69.45 | Chitrakoot (UP) | 43.13 |
| 2. | Spiritual | Development of Spiritual Circuit -II (Bijnor-Meerut-Kanpur-Kanpur Dehat-Banda-Ghazipur-Salempur-Ghosi- Balia-Ambekar | 62.96 | Mahoba and Banda | 6.89 |

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| | | Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi) in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. 20.12.2016 | | | |
| 3. | Heritage | Development of Heritage Circuit (Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- Marhar Dham (Sant Kabir Nagar)- Chauri Chaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- Mavahar Sthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut) in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. 20.12.2016 | 41.51 | Banda | 8.07 |
| 4. | Heritage | Development | 99.77 | Tikamgarh | 50.76 |

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|--------------|-----------------|---|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| | | of Heritage Circuit (Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho – Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu) Madhya Pradesh. 19.09.2016 | | and Chhatarpur | |
| 5. | Wildlife | Development of Wildlife Circuit at Panna- Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri- Bandhavgarh- Kanha- Mukki- Pench in Madhya Pradesh. 07.12.2015 | 92.22 | Panna | 12.69 |
| TOTAL | | | 365.91 | | 121.54 |

(c) to (d): The projects under the scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/UTs and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier. The Ministry has not received any proposal from the State Government of Uttar Pradesh to develop a tourist circuit in Kalpi and Konch of Jalaun district.
