### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*27 ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019

#### PLACES ASSOCIATED WITH BASAVESHWARA AS HERITAGE TOWNS

#### \*27. SHRI ANNASAHEB SHANKAR JOLLE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Shri Basaveshwara has been mentioned as the first preacher in the world to have thought about Democracy, Parliament and Casteless society; and
- (b) whether the Government is considering/proposes to consider/declare the places associated with Basaveshwara as heritage centres/towns *i.e.* Basavakalyan Kudal Sangam and Basavana Baggewadi in Karnataka and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) and (b): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*27 ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019 REGARDING PLACES ASSOCIATED WITH BASAVESHWARA AS HERITAGE TOWNS.

(a) and (b): The Ministry of Tourism does not have any scheme for declaring sites/destinations as heritage centres/towns. The Ministry, however, under its various scheme guidelines, provides Central Financial Assistance to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism related infrastructure, subject to submission of proposals by the State Governments and their adherence to relevant scheme guidelines.

No project has been received by the Ministry for the development of tourism infrastructure in Basavakalyan Kudal Sangam and Basavana Baggewadi in Karnataka.

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