# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*312 ANSWERED ON 15.07.2019

### **PROGRAMME TO ATTRACT TOURISTS**

### \*312. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to prepare any policy/programme to attract foreigners as well as domestic tourists to Nagzira-Koka Wildlife Sanctuary - Navegaon National Park at Bhandara/Gondiya in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which this policy/programme is likely to be implemented?

#### ANSWER

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

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

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*312 ANSWERED ON 15.07.2019 REGARDING PROGRAMME TO ATTRACT TOURISTS.

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a holistic destination and as part of its on-going activities, releases domestic and international print, electronic and online media campaigns to promote various tourism destinations and products in the different States and Union Territories of the country including the Wildlife Sanctuaries in the country. Promotions are also undertaken through the website and Social Media accounts of the Ministry. In addition, the Indiatourism Offices in India and overseas disseminate information and undertake various promotional activities with the objective of showcasing the varied tourist destinations and products of the country.

The Ministry of Tourism under its Schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and Assistance to Central Agencies, provides Financial Assistance to State Governments/ Central Union **Territory (UT) Administrations/Central Agencies for development of** infrastructure and facilities at thematic tourist circuits in the country and for holistic development of identified pilgrimage and heritage destinations. Wildlife circuit is one of the fifteen thematic circuits identified for development under the Swadesh Darshan scheme. All States and Union Territories (UTs) having Wildlife sanctuaries are covered under the Wildlife circuit theme. The projects under the schemes are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.

No proposal has been received from the State Government for the Nagzira – Koka Wildlife Sanctuary - Navegaon National Park at Bhandara / Gondiya in Maharashtra. However, details of projects sanctioned in Maharashtra, under the schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and Assistance to Central Agencies are at Annexure.

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**Projects sanctioned in the State of Maharashtra under the schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and Assistance to Central Agencies**.

				(Rs. in Crore)		
SI. No.	Sanction Year	Circuit	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	
1.	2015-16	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit	82.17	12.79	
2.	2018-19	Spiritual Circuit	DevelopmentofWaki-Adasa-Dhapewada-Paradsingha-ChotaTajBagh-Telankhandi-GiradunderSpiritualCircuit	54.01	0.00	
Total				136.18	12.79	

## Swadesh Darshan Scheme

## **PRASHAD Scheme**

(Rs. in Crore)

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SI. No.	Site/ Destination	Name of the Project	Project	Amount	
	(Year of sanction)		Cost	Released	
1.	Trimbakeshwar	Development of	37.81	8.49	
	( <b>2017-18</b> )	Trimbakeshwar			

### Assistance to Central Agencies Scheme

						(Rs.	in Crore)
S. No.	Year of sanction	Namo	e of Proje	cts	Central Agency	Amount sanctioned	Amount released
1	2016-17		nce to M		Port	15.00	15.00
		Port	Trust	for	trust		

		Development of Kanoji Angre Lighthouse as a tourist Destination			
2	2017-18	Up-gradation/ modernization to International Cruise terminal at Indira Dock, Mumbai.	Mumbai Port Trust	12.50	10.00
		Total		27.50	25.00

# Assistance to Central Agencies for Railway Projects

					(Rs. in Crore)	
S. No.	Year of Sanction	Name of Projects	Central Agency	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Status
1	2014-15	Manufacture of Glass top Coach for Konkan Railway Route Dadar - Madgaon Mumbai, Maharashtra	Ministry of Railways	4.00	4.00	Rolled out in 2017- 18

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