

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†5224
ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023**

FUNDS SPENT UNDER RAMAYANA CIRCUIT AND SDS

†5224. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the site-wise amount of funds spent by the Government in Mithila region under the Ramayana Circuit and Swadesh Darshan Schemes;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to develop Shyama Mai temple complex, a famous pilgrimage site at Darbhanga in Mithila region under the Swadesh Darshan and PRASAD Schemes; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism under its Swadesh Darshan scheme has sanctioned 5 projects in Bihar covering Tirthankara, Spiritual, Buddhist & Rural circuit themes and 1 project in Jharkhand covering Eco Circuit theme. However, no project under Ramayana Circuit theme is sanctioned in Bihar and Jharkhand including Mithila Region. In addition, the Ministry of Tourism has also sanctioned projects under its 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' scheme in the State of Bihar and Jharkhand. The details of the projects sanctioned under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes in Bihar and Jharkhand is annexed.

The Ministry of Tourism has now revamped Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) for development of sustainable and responsible tourist destinations in the country and has identified 'Nalanda' and 'Gaya' in Bihar as destinations for development under SD2.0. As of now, there is no proposal for consideration to develop 'Shyama Mai temple complex' in Dharbhanga under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†5224 ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023 REGARDING FUNDS SPENT UNDER RAMAYANA CIRCUIT AND SDS****(A) LIST OF SANCTIONED PROJECTS UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME****(₹ in Crore)**

S. No.	State/ UT	Circuit / Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
1	Bihar	Tirthankar Circuit/ 2016-17	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri	33.97
2	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit/ 2016-17	Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj – Dharmshala- Deoghar	44.76
3	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit/ 2016-17	Development of Buddhist circuit- Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	95.18
4	Bihar	Rural Circuit/ 2017-18	Development of Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.27
5	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit/ 2017-18	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh	44.55
6	Jharkhand	Eco Circuit/ 2018-19	Development of Eco Tourism circuit: Dalma- Betla National park- Mirchaiya- Netarhat	30.11

(B) LIST OF SANCTIONED PROJECTS UNDER PRASHAD SCHEME**(₹ in Crore)**

S. No.	State/ UT	Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
1	Bihar	2014-15	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	4.27
2	Bihar	2015-16	Development at Patna Sahib	41.54
3	Jharkhand	2018-19	Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar	39.13
