GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.194 ANSWERED ON 04.12.2023

DEVELOPMENT OF SANNATI KANAGANAHALLI AS BUDDHIST TOURISM DESTINATION

194. DR. UMESH G. JADHAV:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to develop the Sannati Kanaganahalli in Chittapur Taluka of Kalaburagi District, Karnataka as Buddhist Tourism destination;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance under Swadesh Darshan and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' for holistic development of tourism destinations. The Ministry of Tourism (MoT) has revamped Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan scheme 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations in the country. As per the SD2.0 scheme guidelines, the State Governments/UT Administrations prepare a State Perspective Plan (SPP) analysing tourism potential of various destinations and the Ministry of Tourism as per the prescribed procedures identifies destinations for development in the country. Accordingly, the Ministry of Tourism has notified 'Hampi' and 'Mysuru' as destinations for development under SD2.0. Under the PRASHAD scheme, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned a project 'Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Chamundeshwari Devi Temple, Mysuru' in the year 2023-24 for Rs.45.71 Crore in the State of Karnataka.
