### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.116 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020

### **PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN GUNTUR DISTRICT**

### 116. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of a dead volcano in Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government is also aware that there is a famous Lakshmi-Narasimha Temple in the said region; and
- (c) if so, the efforts made so far by the Government to promote tourism in and around this volcano and temple?

#### ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Department of Youth Advancement, Tourism & Culture (T), Govt. of Andhra Pradesh informed us that they are aware about the belief among the locals that there is an inactive volcano and Lakshmi - Narasimha Temple in the Guntur District.

(c): The Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed us that their Endowments Department has provided the basic tourist amenities like toilets, waiting areas, drinking Water arrangements etc.

The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned an amount of Rs.28.36 Crores for Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination in the year 2015-16 under PRASHAD scheme.

Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a holistic destination under the Incredible India brand-line. As part of its on-going activities, the Ministry releases print, electronic, online and outdoor media campaigns in the international and domestic markets, to promote various tourism destinations and products of 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.

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