

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†4639  
ANSWERED ON 23.03.2020**

**PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN BIHAR AND NORTH-EASTERN STATES**

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**SHRI SHANTANU THAKUR:**

**SHRIMATI RATHVA GITABEN VAJESINGBHAI:**

**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether tourist spots are not being developed despite ample scope of tourism in Bihar and North-Eastern India;**
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and**
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to promote tourism in the said regions?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b): Under its schemes viz., Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and "Integrated Development of Theme Based Tourist Circuits in the Country, Swadesh Darshan (SD)" Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance for infrastructure development and beautification of pilgrim centres/tourist places on receipt of suitable DPRs from the respective State Governments/Union Territories, subject to availability of funds, liquidation of pending utilisation certificate against the fund released earlier and adherence to the relevant scheme guidelines.**

**Details of the projects sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism, based on the proposals received from State Governments of Bihar and North-Eastern States is annexed.**

**(c): Ministry of Tourism undertakes promotional activities in domestic and international markets through its schemes of 'Domestic Promotion & Publicity including Hospitality (DPPH)' and Overseas Promotion & Publicity Including Market Development Assistance (OPMD). Under these schemes, 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 including North East and Bihar.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†4639 ANSWERED ON 23.03.2020 REGARDING PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN BIHAR AND NORTH-EASTERN STATES****A. Details of projects sanctioned in Bihar and North-Eastern States under PRASHAD Scheme.****(Rs. in Crore)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Project Cost</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
<b>Year 2014-15</b>				
<b>1</b>	<b>BIHAR</b>	<b>Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar</b>	<b>4.27</b>	<b>2.91</b>
<b>Year 2015-16</b>				
<b>2</b>	<b>ASSAM</b>	<b>Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati</b>	<b>30.71</b>	<b>22.03</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>BIHAR</b>	<b>Development at Patna Sahib</b>	<b>41.54</b>	<b>33.23</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>NAGALAND</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Facilities in Nagaland</b>	<b>25.26</b>	<b>7.53</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>101.78</b>	<b>65.70</b>

**B. Details of projects sanctioned in Bihar and North-Eastern States under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.****(Rs. in Crore)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Name of the Circuit</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Project cost</b>	<b>Amount released</b>
<b>Year 2014-15</b>					
<b>1.</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>North-East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang.</b>	<b>49.77</b>	<b>39.81</b>
<b>Year 2015-16</b>					
<b>2.</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>North-East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Circuit at Imphal- Khongjom</b>	<b>72.23</b>	<b>61.32</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>North-East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang- Sherathang- Tsongmo-</b>	<b>98.05</b>	<b>78.44</b>

			<b>Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung- Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan- Gangtok- TuminLingee- Singtam (exit).</b>		
<b>4.</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>Tribal Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha</b>	<b>97.36</b>	<b>77.89</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>North East Circuit</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Thenzawl &amp; South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek</b>	<b>94.91</b>	<b>75.92</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>Wildlife Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Manas- Pobitora- Nameri- Kaziranga- Dibru- Saikhowa.</b>	<b>95.67</b>	<b>76.54</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>North East Circuit</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa, Pappu, Pasa, Pakke Valleys, Lumdung, Lafang Sohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha</b>	<b>97.14</b>	<b>77.71</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>North East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur- Tirthamukh- Mandirghat- Dumboor- Narikel Kunja- Gandachara- Ambassa</b>	<b>99.59</b>	<b>79.67</b>
<b>Year 2016-17</b>					
<b>9.</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>North East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng- Mawdiangdiang - Orchid Lake Resort.</b>	<b>99.13</b>	<b>79.31</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple - Shri Gopinath Temple - Shri Bungshibodon</b>	<b>53.80</b>	<b>43.04</b>

			<b>Temple – Shri Kaina Temple.</b>		
<b>11.</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>North East circuit</b>	<b>Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee- Maka- Temi- Bermoik Namchi - Okharey- Sombaria- Daramdin- Melli (Exit)</b>	<b>95.32</b>	<b>76.25</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Tirthankar circuit</b>	<b>Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri.</b>	<b>52.39</b>	<b>26.19</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Spiritual circuit</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj- Mojma- Banka.</b>	<b>52.35</b>	<b>39.76</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>Tribal circuit</b>	<b>Development of Mokokchung–Tuensang- Mon</b>	<b>99.67</b>	<b>78.09</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit</b>	<b>Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya</b>	<b>98.73</b>	<b>48.69</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>Heritage Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar</b>	<b>98.35</b>	<b>45.29</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>Eco Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – Durtlang -Chatlang- Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee – Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang</b>	<b>99.07</b>	<b>49.53</b>
<b>Year 2017-18</b>					
<b>18.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Rural Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia</b>	<b>44.65</b>	<b>21.24</b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Mandar Hill &amp; Ang Pradesh.</b>	<b>53.49</b>	<b>24.28</b>
<b>Year 2018-19</b>					
<b>20.</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>North East circuit</b>	<b>Development of Surma Cherra- Unakoti- Jampui Hills- Gunabati-</b>	<b>65.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

			<b>Bhunaneshwari- Matabari- Neermahal- Boxanagar- Chotta khola- Pilak- Avangchaarra</b>		
<b>21.</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>North East Circuit</b>	<b>Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw- Krem Tiroi - Khudoi &amp; Kohmang Falls - Khri River- Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls- Shyrmang- looksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, Katta Beel, Siju Caves)</b>	<b>84.97</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL TILL DATE</b>				<b>1701.64</b>	<b>1098.97</b>

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