

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.51
ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME TO DEVELOP
TOURISM CIRCUITS**

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Swadesh Darshan Scheme to develop various tourism circuits in different parts of the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of works done under the scheme since inception, State-wise;**
- (d) the details of funds sanctioned under the scheme since inception, State-wise and year-wise;**
- (e) whether several proposals of State Governments under the scheme have been pending;**
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (g) the steps being taken by the Government for development of tourism in the country?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): The Ministry of Tourism, under the Swadesh Darshan scheme is developing thematic circuits in the country in planned and prioritized manner. Under the scheme fifteen thematic circuits

have been identified for development namely; North-East Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit, Ramayana Circuit, Heritage Circuit, Sufi Circuit, and Tirthankara Circuit. The details of projects sanctioned under this scheme since inception are given at Annexure.

Submission of proposals by the State Governments under the scheme is a continuous process. The projects under the scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory 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.

(g) Ministry of Tourism has taken several steps for development of tourism in the country which inter-alia includes the following:

- i. Launched the Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD Schemes for development of tourism infrastructure in the country.**
- ii. Identified 17 Iconic Sites in the country for development by seeking convergence with other Central Ministries/Departments/State Governments /Urban Local Bodies**
- iii. Launched the “Adopt a Heritage-Apni Dharohar Apni Pehchan” Project for development and maintenance of tourist amenities at heritage sites/monuments and other tourist sites.**
- iv. Development and promotion of ‘Niche Tourism’ products to attract tourist with specific interest and to ensure repeat visits for the unique products in which India has a comparative advantage.**
- v. Launched 24x7 toll free Multi-Lingual Tourist Helpline.**
- vi. Promoting India as a holistic tourism destination including its various tourism sites and products through Incredible India 2.0 Campaign.**
- vii. Providing facility of e-Visa for 5 sub-categories i.e. e-Tourist visa, e-Business visa, e-Medical visa, e-Medical Attendant visa and e-Conference visa for nationals of 170 countries.**

- viii. E-Visa has been further liberalized and the visa fee has been substantially reduced.**
- ix. Revamp of Incredible India Website having information on tourism sites/destinations in different States/Union Territory Administrations.**
- x. Launched Incredible India Tourist Facilitator Programme on an online digital platform to provide basic, advanced and refresher courses for tourist facilitators.**
- xi. New mountain peaks have been opened for Mountaineering/Trekking to give boost to adventure tourism in the country.**
- xii. Lowering of GST on hotels rooms with tariffs of ₹1,001 to ₹7,500/night to 12% and for ₹7,501 & above to 18% to increase India's competitiveness as a tourism destination.**

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.51 ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020 REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME TO DEVELOP TOURISM CIRCUITS****DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME****(Rs. in crore)**

Sl. No.	State/UT	Name of the Circuit	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
2014-15				
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang.	49.77
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipally	67.84
Total of 2014-15				117.61
2015-16				
3.	Manipur	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit at Imphal- Khongjom	72.23
4.	Sikkim	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang- Sherathang- Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung- Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan- Gangtok- TuminLingee- Singtam (exit).	98.05
5.	Uttarakhand	Eco Circuit	Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba- Sarain around Tehri Lake.	70.92
6.	Rajasthan	Desert Circuit	Development of Shakambhari Mata Temple, Sambhar Salt	63.96

			Complex, Devyani Kund, Sharmistha Sarovar, Naliasar and Other Destinations.	
7.	Nagaland	Tribal Circuit	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36
8.	Madhya Pradesh	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Circuit at Panna- Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri-Bandhavgarh- Kanha- Mukki- Pench.	92.22
9.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Pulikat Lake, Ublamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham	59.70
10.	Telangana	Eco Circuit	Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)	91.62
11.	Kerala	Eco Circuit	Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi- Vagamon- Thekkady	76.55
12.	Mizoram	North East Circuit	Integrated Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek	94.91
13.	Assam	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Manas- Pobitora- Nameri- Kaziranga- Dibru- Saikhowa.	95.67
14.	Puducherry	Coastal Circuit	Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam	85.28
15.	Arunachal Pradesh	North East Circuit	Integrated Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa,	97.14

			Pappu, Pasa, Pakke Valleys, Lumdung, Lafang Sohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha	
16.	Tripura	North East Circuit	Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur-Tirthamukh- Mandirghat-Dumboor- Narikel Kunja-Gandachara- Ambassa	99.59
17.	West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha-Shankarpur- Tajpur-Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai-Henry Island	85.39
18.	Chhattisgarh	Tribal Circuit	Development of Jashpur-Kunkuri- Mainpat-Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel-Kondagaon- Nathiya Nawagaon- Jagdalpur-Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.	99.00
19.	Maharashtra	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagarashwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort).	82.17
Total of 2015-16				1461.76
2016-17				
20.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	99.99
21.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Jammu, Kashmir, Pehalgam, Kargil, Leh	82.97

22.	Telangana	Tribal Circuit	Integrated Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Medavaram- Tadvai-Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.	83.88
23.	Meghalaya	North East Circuit	Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang – Orchid Lake Resort.	99.13
24.	Madhya Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar.	74.94
25.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam.	99.99
26.	Manipur	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple.	53.80
27.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Ahmedabad- Rajkot-Porbandar –Bardoli- Dandi.	85.01
28.	Haryana	Krishna Circuit	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at Brahmsarovar, Sanhit Sarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra.	97.35
29.	Rajasthan	Krishna Circuit	Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand).	91.45
30.	Sikkim	North East circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee– Maka- Temi-Bermoik Namchi - Okharey- Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit)	95.32
31.	Madhya Pradesh	Heritage circuit	Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho –	92.97

			Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu	
32.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sree Padmanabha Temple, Aranmula- Sabrimala	92.22
33.	Bihar	Tirthankar circuit	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri.	52.39
34.	Bihar	Spiritual circuit	Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj- Mojma- Banka.	52.35
35.	Odisha	Coastal circuit	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara.	70.82
36.	Nagaland	Tribal circuit	Development of Mokokchung–Tuensang- Mon	99.67
37.	Uttarakhand	Heritage circuit	Development of Kumaon Region – Katarmal – Jogeshwar –Baijnath- Devidhura.	79.13
38.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian- Pulwama	96.38
39.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities under the Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package for J&K	90.96
40.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai- Sudhmahadev- Patnitop	97.82
41.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Anantnag- Kishtwar- Pahalgam – Daksum – Ranjit Sagar Dam.	87.44

42.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla-Kupwara-Leh	96.93
43.	Uttar Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Srawasti, Kushinagar, & Kapilvastu.	99.97
44.	Uttar Pradesh	Ramayana Circuit	Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur	69.45
45.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Coastal Circuit	Development of Long Island-Ross Smith Island-Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair.	42.19
46.	Tamil Nadu	Coastal Circuit	Development of Chennai-Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari	74.58
47.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Shahjahanpur-Basti- Ahar-Aligharh-Kasgunj-Sarosi-Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur- Kairana-DoamrFiyagunj- Bagpat-Barabanki- Azamgarh	68.39
48.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Bijnor-Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur-Salempur- Ghosi- Balia-Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh-Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba-Sonbhadra- Chandauli-Mishrikh- Bhadohi	63.77
49.	Uttar Pradesh	Heritage Circuit	Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- Marhar Dham (Sant Kabir Nagar)- Chauri Chaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- Mavahar Sthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)	34.82
50.	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit	Construction of Convention Centre at	98.73

			Bodhgaya	
51.	Assam	Heritage Circuit	Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar	98.35
52.	Himachal Pradesh	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Himalayan Circuit in Kiarighat, Shimla, Hatkoti, Manali, Kangra, Dharamshala, Bir, Palampur, Chamba	86.85
53.	Mizoram	Eco Circuit	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – Durtlang -Chatlang-Sakawrhmutuitlang - Muthee – Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang	99.07
54.	Rajasthan	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Churu (Salasar Balaji)– Jaipur (Shri Samode Balaji, Ghat ke Balaji, Bandhe ke Balaji)- Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) – MehandipurBalaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji)	93.90
55.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Vadnagar- Modhera and Patan	98.61
Total of 2016-17				3001.59
2017-18				
56.	Bihar	Rural Circuit	Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.65
57.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula - Colva - Benaulim	99.35
58.	Gujarat	Buddhist circuit	Development of Junagadh- Gir Somnath- Bharuch- Kutch- Bhavnagar- Rajkot-	29.28

			Mehsana	
59.	Puducherry	Heritage Circuit	Development of Franco-Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam	66.35
60.	Puducherry	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry	40.68
61.	Rajasthan	Heritage Circuit	Development of Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort)- Jaipur (Nahargarh Fort)- Alwar (BalaQuila)- Sawai Madhopur (Ranthambore Fort and Khandar Fort)- Jhalawar (Gagron Fort)- Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort) Jaisalmer (JaisalmerFort) Hanumangarh (Kalibangan, Bhatner Fort and Gogamedi)- Jalore (Jalore Fort)- Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra)- Dholpur (Bagh-i-Nilofar and Purani Chawni)- Nagaur(Meera Bai Smarak)	90.92
62.	Telangana	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park- Paigah Tombs- Hayat Bakshi Mosque- Raymond's Tomb	99.42
63.	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh.	53.49
64.	Madhya Pradesh	Eco Circuit	Development of Gandhisagar Dam- Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam- Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River	99.62
65.	Uttar Pradesh	Ramayana Circuit	Development of Ayodhya	133.31
66.	Andhra Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam- Thotlakonda- Bavikonda-	52.34

			Bojjanakonda- Amravati-Anupu in Andhra Pradesh under the theme of Buddhist Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme	
Total of 2017-18				809.41
2018-19				
67.	Maharashtra	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Waki-Adasa- Dhapewada-Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad	54.01
68.	--	Development of Wayside Amenities (Sub-Scheme)	Development of Wayside Amenities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar at Varanasi-Gaya; Lucknow-Ayodhya-Lucknow; Gorakhpur-Kushinagar; Kushinagar-Gaya- Kushinaga in collaboration with MoRTH	17.93
69.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Jewar-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda	14.52
70.	Jharkhand	Eco Circuit	Development of Dalma-Chandil- Getalsud- Betla National park- Mirchaiya-Netarhat	52.72
71.	Tripura	North East circuit	Development of Surma Cherra- Unakoti- Jampui Hills- Gunabati-Bhunaneshwari- Matabari-Neermahal- Boxanagar-Chotta khola- Pilak-Avangchaarra	65.00
72.	Punjab	Heritage Circuit	Development of Anandpur Sahib – Fatehgarh Sahib – Chamkaur Sahib – Ferozpur – Amritsar – Khatkar Kalan – Kalanour - Patiala	99.95
73.	Kerala	Rural Circuit	Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project	80.37
74.	Kerala	Spiritual	Development of Sivagiri	69.47

		Circuit	Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram-Kunnumpara Sree Subrahmania-Chembazhanthi Sree Narayana Gurukulam	
75.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Kasaragod, Wayanad, Kannur, Kozhikode, Palakkad, Mallapuram, Thrichur, Ernakulam, Idukki, Kottayam, Allaphuza, Pathananamithitta, Kollam, Trivandrum	85.23
76.	Meghalaya	North East Circuit	Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw-Krem Tirot - Khudoi & Kohmang Falls - Khri River- Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls-Shyrmang- looksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, Katta Beel, Siju Caves)	84.97
77.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple(Domariyaganj)	21.16
			Total of 2018-19	645.33
GRAND TOTAL TILL DATE				6035.70
