

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1226
ANSWERED ON 19.09.2020**

SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME

1226. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the achievements of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as of date;**
- (b) whether there are plans to expand the Scheme to include more theme based tourist circuits;**
- (c) whether there are plans to extend the ongoing/ planned theme based circuits to Jharkhand; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): For integrated development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits in the country, Ministry of Tourism has launched Swadesh Darshan Scheme in 2014-15. Since its launch in January 2015; the Ministry has sanctioned 76 projects for Rs.5813.55 Crores, out of which 7 projects are complete and 26 projects are nearing completion. Sanctioning of new projects in the scheme is under review.

Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned a project 'Development of Dalma- Chandil- Getalsud- Betla National Park- Mirchaiya-Netarhat', Jharkhand under Eco Circuit Theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme for Rs.52.72 Crore in 2018-19.
