# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2280 ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021

#### **DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS CIRCUIT IN PUNJAB**

## 2280. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Sri Harmandir Sahib (Golden Temple) at Amritsar and Sri Anandpur Sahib and other religious Takhts of Sikh religion and places are world class monuments in Punjab attracting millions of pilgrims tourists;
- (b) whether the Government has given any funds for development of tourism in Punjab;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has built any amenities to help Punjab in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to give funds for development of religious circuit in Punjab?

## **ANSWER**

#### MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a): Yes, Sir. Sri Harmandir Sahib (Golden Temple) at Amritsar and Sri Anandpur Sahib and other religious Takhts attract pilgrims and tourists.
- (b) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations/Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure. In addition, projects pertaining to development of tourism infrastructure are also sanctioned under 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development Scheme'. Sanctioning of projects under the schemes is a continuous process and is subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc.

A list of projects sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism in Punjab is annexed.

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2280 ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS CIRCUIT IN PUNJAB.

A list of projects sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism in Punjab during financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 is as given below.

(Rs. in crore)

Sr. No.	Scheme and Year of Sanction	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1	PRASHAD 2015-16	Development of KarunaSagar Valmiki Sthal' at Amritsar	6.40
2.	Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development	Infrastructural Development at JCP Attari	13.12
3.	Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development	Restoration/ Renovation of 'Jallianwala Bagh Memorial' & Additional work to be taken at Jallianwala Bagh National Memorial at Amritsar	23.02
4.	Swadesh Darshan 2018-19	'Development of Anandpur Sahib – Fatehgarh Sahib – Chamkaur Sahib – Ferozpur – Amritsar – Khatkar Kalan – Kalanour – Patiala'	91.55

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