

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.+973
ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025**

SDS AND SD 2.0

**+973. SHRI ALOK SHARMA:
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SMT. SHOBHANABEN MAHENDRASINH BARAIYA:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 76 projects with a total allocation of Rs. 5287.90 crores have been accorded sanction under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme (SDS) considering the overall impact on the tourism sector, local economy, infrastructure and employment, out of which 75 projects have been physically completed so far;**
- (b) the details of the revamped version of the Swadesh Darshan 2.0;**
- (c) whether any measures have been taken to ensure that the development of tourist destinations under the said scheme is in line with the principles of sustainability and responsible tourism;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the details of the allocation and utilization of Rs.793.20 crores sanctioned for 34 projects under the said Swadesh Darshan 2.0?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): Ministry of Tourism launched its Swadesh Darshan scheme in 2014-15 and sanctioned 76 projects in the country for ₹5287.90 crores under the identified thematic circuits for development of tourism in the country, considering the overall impact on the tourism sector, local economy, infrastructure and employment, out of which 75 projects are reported physically completed.

The Ministry of Tourism has revamped the Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations in the country following a destination and tourist centric approach. SD2.0 recognizes that in order to minimize

the negative impacts and maximise the positive impacts of tourism, sustainable and responsible tourism is the key and encourages adoption of principles of sustainable tourism including environmental sustainability, socio-cultural sustainability and economic sustainability. The scheme further encourages State Governments/UT Administrations to undertake due consultations with local communities and stakeholders, use of renewable energy, eco-friendly materials, development of accessible infrastructure and services, focus on capacity building, local entrepreneurship etc.

Details of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 is Annexed.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†973 ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025 REGARDING SDS AND SD 2.0 RAISED BY SHRI ALOK SHARMA, SHRI DILIP SAIKIA AND SMT. SHOBHANABEN MAHENDRASINH BARAIYA:

List of sanctioned projects under Swadesh Darshan 2.0

S. No.	State	Destination	Name of the Experience	Sanctioned Cost (₹ Crore)	Year of Sanction	Withdrawal limit assigned to Implementing Agency (₹ Crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	Araku-Lambasingi	Borra Cave Experience at Araku	29.87	2023-24	2.98
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Nacho	Unlock Nacho Expedition	14.02	2023-24	1.40
3	Arunachal Pradesh	Mechuka	Mechuka Cultural Haat	18.48	2023-24	1.84
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Mechuka	Mechuka Adventure Park	12.75	2023-24	1.27
5	Assam	Kokrajhar	Kokrajhar Wetland Experience	26.67	2023-24	-
6	Assam	Jorhat	Reimagining Cinnamara Tea Estate	23.91	2023-24	-
7	Goa	Porvorim	Porvorim Creek Experience	23.56	2024-25	-
8	Goa	Colva	Colva Beach Experience	15.65	2024-25	-

9	Karnataka	Hampi	Setting up of 'Traveller nooks'	25.64	2023-24	-
10	Karnataka	Mysuru	Tonga ride Heritage experience zone	2.72	2023-24	0.27
11	Karnataka	Mysuru	Ecological Experience Zone	18.47	2023-24	1.84
12	Kerala	Kumarakom	Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary Experience	13.92	2023-24	-
13	Ladakh	Leh	Julley Leh Biodiversity Park	24.89	2023-24	-
14	Ladakh	Kargil	Exploring LOC and Hundarman village Experience	12.01	2023-24	-
15	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	Phoolbagh Experience Zone	16.73	2023-24	1.67
16	Madhya Pradesh	Chitrakoot	Spiritual experience at Chitrakoot	27.21	2023-24	2.72
17	Maharashtra	Pune	Shivsrushti Historical Theme Park-Phase 3	76.22	2024-25	7.62
18	Meghalaya	Sohra	Waterfall Trails	27.84	2023-24	-

			Experience			
19	Meghalaya	Sohra	Meghalayan Age Cave Experience	32.45	2023-24	3.24
20	Nagaland	Chumoukedima	Eco-Tourism Exp at Chumoukedima viewpoint	7.87	2024-25	-
21	Nagaland	Chumoukedima	Tribal Cultural Experience at Midway Retreat	21.56	2023-24	-
22	Puducherry	Karaikal	Karaikal beach and waterfront experience	20.29	2023-24	-
23	Punjab	Kapurthala	Eco Tourism experience at Kanjli wetland	20.06	2023-24	-
24	Punjab	Amritsar	Border Tourism Experience at Attari	25.90	2024-25	2.59
25	Rajasthan	Bundi	Spiritual Experience , Keshavraipatan	17.37	2023-24	-
26	Sikkim	Gyalshing	Eco-Wellness Experience at Yuksom	15.40	2023-24	-

			Cluster			
27	Sikkim	Gangtok	Gangtok Cultural Village	22.59	2023-24	-
28	Tamil Nadu	Mamallapuram	Immersive experience at Shore Temple	30.02	2023-24	-
29	Telangana	Bhongir	Bhongir Fort Experiential Zone	56.81	2023-24	-
30	Telangana	Ananathagiri	Eco tourism zone at Ananathgiri forest	38.00	2023-24	3.80
31	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj	Azad Park and Dekho Prayagraj Trail Exp	13.02	2023-24	-
32	Uttar Pradesh	Naimisaranya	Vedic-wellness Experience	15.94	2023-24	-
33	Uttarakh and	Pithoragarh	Rural Tourism Cluster Experience at Gunji	32.20	2023-24	-
34	Uttarakh and	Champawat	Tea Garden Experience	11.21	2023-24	-
TOTAL AMOUNT				791.25		

No UC is received as of now in respect of SD2.0 projects.
