

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2452  
ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015**

**COMMITTEE ON SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASAD SCHEME**

**2452. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE:  
SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has constituted the National Steering Committee of the Mission Swadesh Darshan and Prasad Scheme;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the terms and reference of the said Committee;**
- (c) the details of the works so far undertaken by the said Committee along with the status thereof; and**
- (d) the time by which the said committee will complete its assignment and submit its report?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

**(a) to (c): Yes, Madam.**

**A National Steering Committee (NSC) was constituted under the Chairmanship of Minister in charge, Ministry of Tourism to steer the mission objectives and vision.**

**The composition and key responsibilities of NSC is given at the Annexure.**

**So far two meetings of National Steering Committee (NSC) has been held on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 and 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2015.**

**(d): The Committee is to oversee all aspects, steer, review and monitor overall performance of the scheme and provide guidance on specific issues relating to the scheme.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2452 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015 REGARDING COMMITTEE ON SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASAD SCHEME.****The Composition and key responsibilities of National Steering Committee (NSC):-**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Minister in charge, M/O Tourism</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Secretary, M/O Tourism</b>	<b>Vice chairman</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Addl. Secretary, M/O Tourism</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Financial Advisor, M/O Tourism</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Culture</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Director General, ASI</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Urban Development</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (HUPA)</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Civil Aviation</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Skill Development</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Road Transport &amp; Highways (RT&amp;H)</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Shipping</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Power</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Environment &amp; Forest (MoEF)</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Water Resources, River Development &amp; Ganga Rejuvenation</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Secretary or his representative*, M/O Rural Development</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Executive Director (Tourism &amp; Catering), M/O Railways</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Joint Secretary/Addl. Director General, M/O Tourism</b>	<b>Member Secretary</b>

**\* Not below the rank of Joint Secretary.**

**Other Ministries, if required, may also be represented as invitee members on case to case basis.**

**Key responsibilities of NSC:**

- **Enunciate the vision and chalk out the road map for the scheme and provide a platform for exchange of ideas;**
- **Oversee all operations, steer, review and monitor overall performance of the scheme and provide guidance on specific issues relating to the scheme;**
- **Recommend mid course corrections in the implementation tools;**
- **Periodical oversight and review of proposed/ongoing projects.**

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