GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2456 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015

PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN DELHI

†2456. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI: SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to promote tourism to the next level and make the country one of the most attractive destinations for the domestic as well as international tourists and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any measures to promote State specific tourism on an international platform; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to promote tourism in various States of the country including Delhi, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Kerala along with the funds allocated in this regard during the last three years and the current year?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Ministry of Tourism (MOT) has launched the following two new schemes in 2014-15:

1) Swadesh Darshan for Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits around Specific Themes.

Twelve theme based circuits i.e. North-East India Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit and Ramayana Circuit have been identified for development under "Swadesh Darshan". 2) National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) to beautify and improve the amenities and infrastructure at pilgrimage centres of all faiths.

Under PRASAD, initially thirteen cities have been identified namely Ajmer, Amritsar, Amaravati, Dwarka, Gaya, Kamakhaya, Kanchipuram, Kedarnath, Mathura, Patna, Puri, Varanasi and Velankanni.

The mission objectives of the schemes includes among other things enhancing the tourist attractiveness of the identified destinations/circuits in a sustainable manner by developing world-class infrastructure.

(b) and (c): The Ministry of Tourism promotes India as a holistic destination in the domestic and international markets, including the various tourism destinations and products of every State/Union Territory of the country. Ministry of Tourism has undertaken TV Campaigns to promote tourism to the North East Region and to the State of Jammu & Kashmir on Doordarshan and in private television channels across the country.

The Ministry of Tourism (MOT) provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations including the State of Delhi, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Kerala for various tourism projects subject to availability of funds, liquidation of pending utilization certificates against the funds released earlier and adherence to the relevant scheme guidelines.

The list of number of projects and amount sanctioned to various States/UTs during the last three years and the current year is given at Annexure.

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ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2456 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2015 REGARDING PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN DELHI.

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SI. No.	Name of the State		2012-13		2013-14	2014-15	
		No.	Amt. Sanctioned	No.	Amt. Sanctioned	No.	Amt. Sanctioned
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4	6278.73	14	4532.02	11	9515.53
	Combined Projects for Andhra Pradesh & Telangana	0	0.00	1	4588.80	0	0.00
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	16	6612.50	11	7473.64	8	8455.35
3.	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
4.	Assam	0	0.00	0	0.00	3	3568.11
5.	Bihar	1	500.00	14	11109.85	3	4220.47
6.	Chandigarh	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
7.	Chhattisgarh	0	0.00	0	0.00	5	990.13
8.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
9.	Daman & Diu	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	775.54
10.	Delhi	2	2461.91	2	5768.98	0	0.00
11.	Goa	2	50.00	0	0.00	1	879.04
12.	Gujarat	1	486.75	0	0.00	0	0.00
13.	Haryana	0	0.00	8	1487.25	3	121.66
14.	Himachal Pradesh	11	3029.88	1	3371.52	0	0.00
15.	Jammu and Kashmir	25	11260.00	15	7618.54	2	732.50
16.	Jharkhand	2	4885.71	1	500.00	0	0.00
17.	Kerala	6	7826.53	10	4065.63	0	0.00
18.	Karnataka	0	0.00	8	3228.71	1	5000.00
19.	Lakshadweep	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
20.	Maharashtra	5	7914.79	6	6795.18	0	0.00
21.	Manipur	7	3595.62	8	7234.84	7	14752.51
22.	Meghalaya	1	17.94	3	46.90	0	0.00
23.	Mizoram	3	49.15	10	4711.16	3	4879.69
24.	Madhya Pradesh	20	20989.75	9	10021.29	5	3690.54

25.	Nagaland	11	4556.66	11	5222.01	10	5980.20
26.	Odisha	2	61.30	12	6543.08	3	6488.34
27.	Puducherry	0	0.00	1	4848.16	0	0.00
28.	Punjab	2	50.00	2	1038.86	3	4831.98
29.	Rajasthan	0	0.00	10	5174.71	2	149.93
30.	Sikkim	13	7020.18	14	10485.00	8	5200.00
31.	Tamil Nadu	2	2041.97	0	0.00	0	0.00
32.	Telangana	5	4191.34	8	3370.07	4	504.36
33.	Tripura	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
34.	Uttar Pradesh	12	3486.15	26	13071.32	4	3368.05
35.	Uttarakhand	2	1297.47	29	21772.67	1	391.69
36.	West Bengal	3	4694.46	0	0.00	0	0.00
	Total	158	103358.79	234	154080.19	88	84495.62

Includes Projects relating to Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits (PIDDC), Human Resource Development (HRD), Fairs and Festivals & Rural Tourism.

The list of projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan during 2014-15 and 2015-16 (till 02.12.2015)

(Rs. in Crore)

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SI. No.	Name of the Circuit	State	Name of Project	Year	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	DevelopmentofKakinadaHopeIslandKonaseemaasWorldclasscoastal& EcoTourismCircuit in AndhraPradesh	2014- 15	69.83
2.	North- East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Bhalukpong-Bomdila- Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh	2014- 15	50.00
3.	Buddhist Circuit	Bihar	Cultural Centre, Bodhgaya	2014- 15	33.17
4.	North- East India Circuit	Manipur	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang- Khongjom-Moreh	2015- 16	89.66
5.	North- East India Circuit	Sikkim	Development of Tourist Circuit linking - Rangpo (entry) - Rorathang - Aritar -	2015- 16	98.05

			Phadamchen - Nathang - Sherathang - Tsongmo - Gangtok - Phodong - Mangan - Lachung - Yumthang - Lachen - Thangu - Gurudongmer - Mangan - Gangtok - Tumin Lingee - Singtam (exit) in Sikkim		
6.	Eco Circuit	Uttarakhand	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism, Adventure Sports, Associated Tourism related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination-District Tehri, Uttarakhand	2015 -16	80.37
7.	Desert Circuit	Rajasthan	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations under Desert Circuit in Swadesh Darshan Scheme	2015 -16	63.96
8.	Tribal Circuit	Nagaland	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren –Kohima- Wokha, Nagaland	2015 -16	97.36
	Total				582.40

The State-wise details of the funds sanctioned under PRASAD Scheme during the year 2014-15 and 2015-16 (till 02.12.2015).

(Rs. in Crore)

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SI. No.	Name of the State & project	Year	Amount Sanctioned
	BIHAR		
1.	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	2014-15	4.29
	UTTAR PRADESH		
2.	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	2014-15	14.93
3.	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura	2014-15	9.36

	ODISHA		
4.	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham- Ramachandi-Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	2014-15	50.00
	PUNJAB		
5.	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	2015-16	6.45
	RAJASTHAN		
6.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	40.44
	Andhra Pradesh		
7.	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District of Andhra Pradesh as Tourist Destination	2015-16	28.36
	Assam		
8.	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati.	2015-16	33.98
	Grand Total		187.81

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