

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1282
ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016**

FUNDS FOR TOURISM PROJECTS

1282. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned funds for tourism projects to develop tourist places associated with eco, rural and religious, medical and monsoon tourism in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise and State-wise including Tamil Nadu;**
- (c) the funds allocated so far in this regard the present status of tourism projects, State/project-wise; and**
- (d) the time by which all pending tourism projects are likely to be completed and pending fund allocations released, State-wise and project-wise?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a): For development of tourism infrastructure in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has introduced two new schemes in 2014-15 i.e. Swadesh Darshan - Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits and PRASAD- Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive. Under Swadesh Darshan scheme thirteen thematic circuits have been identified for development, namely: North-East India Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit, Ramayana Circuit and Heritage Circuit. Under PRASAD scheme thirteen cities have been identified for development, namely: Amritsar, Ajmer, Mathura, Varanasi, Gaya, Puri, Amravati, Kanchipuram, Vellankanni, Kedarnath, Dwarka, Patna and Kamakhya.

(b) to (d): The list of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan and PRASAD Schemes and their status is at Annexure. The Projects sanctioned under the scheme have a gestation period of 18-36 months.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1282 ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016 REGARDING FUNDS FOR TOURISM PROJECTS.****List of Projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme****Year: 2014-15****(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of the Circuit	State	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned	Status
1.	North-East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Development of Mega Circuit at Bhalukpong-Bomdila and Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh	50.00	Ongoing
2.	Buddhist Circuit	Bihar	Construction of Cultural Centre adjacent to Maya Sarovar on the western side at Bodhgaya, Bihar	33.17	Ongoing
3.	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World Class Coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh	69.83	Ongoing
			Total	153.00	

Year 2015-16**(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of the Circuit	State	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned	Status
1.	North-East India Circuit	Manipur	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang-Khongjom-Moreh.	89.66	Ongoing
2.	North-East India Circuit	Sikkim	Development of Tourist Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) - Rorathang-Aritar-Phadamchen-Nathang-Sherathang-Tsongmo-Gangtok-	98.05	Ongoing

			Phodong-Mangan-Lachung-Yumthang-Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer-Mangan-Gangtok-Tumin Lingee-Singtam (exit) in Sikkim.		
3.	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.	80.37	Ongoing
4.	Desert Circuit	Rajasthan	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations in Rajasthan under Desert Circuit in Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	63.96	Ongoing
5.	Tribal Circuit	Nagaland	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren- Kohima-Wokha, Nagaland	97.36	Ongoing
6.	Wildlife Circuit	Madhya Pradesh	Development of Wildlife Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur-Sanjay-Dubri-Bandhavgarh-Kanha-Mukki-Pench in Madhya Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan scheme.	92.22	Ongoing
7.	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri Potti Sriramalu Nellore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Andhra Pradesh.	60.38	Ongoing
8.	Eco Circuit	Telangana	Integrated Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar	91.62	Ongoing

			district, Telangana under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.		
9.	Eco Circuit	Kerala	Development of Pathanamthitta – Gavi – Vagamon – Thekkady as Eco Tourism Circuit in Idduki and Parhanamthitta Districts in Kerala under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.22	Ongoing
10.	North East India Circuit	Mizoram	Integrated Development of New Eco Tourism under Swadesh Darshan – North East Circuit at Thenzawl & South Zote, District Serchhip and Reiek, Mizoram.	94.91	Ongoing
11.	Wildlife Circuit	Assam	Development of Manas – Probitora – Nameri – Kaziranga – Dibru – Saikhowa as Wildlife Circuit in Assam.	95.67	Ongoing
12.	Coastal Circuit	Puducherry	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under “Swadesh Darshan” Scheme (Coastal Circuit)	85.28	Ongoing
13.	North East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Integrated Development of New Adventure Tourism in Arunachal Pradesh	97.14	Ongoing
14.	North East India Circuit	Tripura	Development of North East Circuit : Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur - Tirthamukh - Mandirghat – Dumboor-NarikelKunja - Gandachara – Ambassa in Tripura	99.59	Ongoing

15.	Coastal Circuit	West Bengal	Development of Beach Circuit – Udaipur - Digha – Shankarpur – Tajpur – Mandarmani – Fraserganj – Bakklai - Henry Island in West Bengal	85.39	Ongoing
16.	Tribal Circuit	Chhattisgarh	Development of Tribal Tourism Circuit in Jashpur-Kunkuri-Mainpat- Ambikapur-Maheshpur -Ratanpur-Kurdar-Sarodadadar Gangrel- Kondagaon – Nathyanawagaon - Jagdalpur Chitrakoot - Tirthgarh in Chhattisgarh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.94	Ongoing
17.	Coastal Circuit	Maharashtra	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit in Maharashtra under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	82.17	Ongoing
			Total	1512.93	

List of Projects sanctioned under PRASAD Scheme

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Amount sanctioned	Status
	2014-15		
1.	Basic Facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya	4.29	Ongoing
2.	Development of Mathura Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Phase-II).	14.93	Ongoing
3.	Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan	9.36	Ongoing
4.	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham-Ramachandi-Prachi River Front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	50.00	Ongoing
	Total	78.58	
	2015-16		
1.	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki	6.45	Ongoing

	Sthal at Amritsar		
2.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/ Ajmer	40.44	Ongoing
3.	Development of Kamakhya	33.98	Ongoing
4.	Development of Amaravati	28.36	Ongoing
5.	Development at Patna Sahib	41.53	Ongoing
6.	Development of Varanasi	20.40	Ongoing
7.	Development of Kedamath	34.78	Ongoing
	Total	205.94	
