

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*8
ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016**

FUNDS SANCTIONED FOR PRASAD SCHEME

***8. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has achieved the aims and objectives of implementing the National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) and Swadesh Darshan Schemes in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, scheme-wise and if not, the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;**
- (c) the details of the funds provided under the said schemes along with its utilization since inception, scheme-wise and State-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has received requests/proposals from various State Governments to include pilgrimage sites for development and beautification under the said schemes since 2014; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on such requests/proposals so far?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

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(a) & (b): The Plan Schemes PRASAD- National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive and Swadesh Darshan for Integrated Development of theme based tourist circuits in the country were launched in January 2015. Under the PRASAD scheme 13 sites have been identified for development, namely Ajmer, Amritsar, Amaravati, Dwarka, Gaya, Kedarnath, Kamakhya, Kanchipuram, Mathura, Patna, Puri, Varanasi and Velankanni. Under Swadesh Darshan scheme 13 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.

(c): Since its launch, 35 projects under both the schemes for a total estimated cost of Rs.2238.12 crore have been sanctioned. The details of projects sanctioned under both the schemes are annexed at I and II.

(d) & (e): Identification of more destinations under the scheme is a continuous process, subject to availability of resources and adherence to scheme guidelines.

ANNEXURE-I**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*8 ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016 REGARDING FUNDS SANCTIONED FOR PRASAD SCHEME.**

State-wise details of the funds sanctioned under PRASAD Scheme during the year 2014-15 and 2015-16 (as on 13.07.2016) is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the State & project	Amount Sanctioned
2014-15		
	BIHAR	
1.	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	4.29
	UTTAR PRADESH	
2.	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	14.93
3.	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura	9.36
	ODISHA	
4.	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham- Ramachandi-Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	50.00
	Total	78.58
2015-16		
	PUNJAB	
5.	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	6.45
	RAJASTHAN	
6.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	40.44
	ANDHRA PRADESH	
7.	Development of amaravati Town, Guntur District of Andhra Pradesh as Tourist Destination	28.36
	ASSAM	
8.	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati.	33.98
	BIHAR	
9.	Development at Patna Sahib	41.53
	UTTAR PRADESH	
10.	Development of Varanasi	20.40
	UTTARAKHAND	
11.	Development of Kedamath	34.78
	Total	205.94

ANNEXURE-II**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*8 ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016 REGARDING FUNDS SANCTIONED FOR PRASAD SCHEME.**

State-wise details of funds sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan during 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (as on 13.07.2016) is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	State	Scheme	Name of the project	Amount Sanctioned
	2014-15			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World class coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh	69.83
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	North East India Circuit	Bhalukpong-Bomdila-Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh	49.77
3.	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit	Cultural Centre, Bodhgaya	33.17
			Total	152.77
	2015-16			
1.	Manipur	North East India Circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang-Khongjom-Moreh	89.66
2.	Sikkim	North East India Circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit linking - Rangpo (entry) - Rorathang - Aritar - Phadamchen - Nathang - Sherathang - Tsongmo - Gangtok - Phodong - Mangan - Lachung - Yumthang - Lachen - Thangu - Gurudongmer - Mangan - Gangtok - Tumin Lingee - Singtam (exit) in Sikkim	98.05

3.	Uttarakhand	Eco Circuit	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
4.	Rajasthan	Desert Circuit	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations under Desert Circuit in Swadesh Darshan Scheme	63.96
5.	Nagaland	Tribal Circuit	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren –Kohima-Wokha, Nagaland	97.36
6.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri PottiSriramalu Nellore in Andhra Pradesh	60.38
7.	Madhya Pradesh	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Wildlife Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur-Sanjay-Dubri-Bandhavgarh-Kanha-Mkki-Pench	92.22
8.	Telangana	Eco. Circuit	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar District	91.62
9.	Kerala	Eco. Circuit	Development of Pathanamthitta-Gavi-Vagamon-Thekkady as Eco tourism circuit in Idukki and Pathanamthitta Districts	99.22
10.	Mizoram	North-East India	Integrated Development of New Ec-tourism	94.91

		Circuit	under Swadesh Darshan-North East Circuit at Thenzawl & South Zote, District Serchhip and Reiek, Mizoram	
11.	Arunachal Pradesh	North-East India Circuit	Integrated Development of Adventure Tourism	97.14
12.	Assam	Wildlife Circuit	Wildlife Circuit in Assam	95.67
13.	Puducherry	Coastal Circuit	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under "Swadesh Darshan" scheme	85.28
14.	Tripura	North-East India Circuit	Development of North East Circuit:Agartala-Ssipahijala-Melaghar-Udaipur-Amarpur-Tirthamukh-Mandirghat-Duboor-Narukelkunja-Gandachara-Ambassa	99.59
15.	West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	Development of Beach Circuit Udaipur-Digha-Shankarpur-Tajpur-Mandarmani-Fraserganj-Bakhlai-Henry Island	85.39
16.	Chhattisgarh	Tribal Circuit	Development of Tribal Tourism Circuit Jashpur-Kunkuri-Mainpat-Ambikapur-Maheshpur-Gangrel-Kondagaon-Nathyanawagaon-Jagdulpur-Chitrakoot-Tirthgarh in Chhattisgarh	99.94
17.	Maharashtra	Coastal Circuit	Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit	82.17
			Total	1512.93

	2016-17			
1.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal circuit (Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail) in Goa under SwadeshDarshan Scheme.	99.98
2.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourism Infrastructure projects in the State of Jammu & Kashmir under Himalayan Circuit of SwadeshDarshan Scheme.	82.97
3.	Telangana	Tribal Circuit	Integrated development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Medavaram-Tadvai-Damaravi-Mallur-Bogatha Waterfalls as Tribal Circuit in Telangana under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	84.40
4.	Meghalaya	North East India Circuit	Development of Umiam Lake view-U LumSohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang orchid lake resort in Meghalaya under North East circuit under SwadeshDarshan scheme.	99.13
			Total	366.48
			Grand Total	2032.18
