

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1371
ANSWERED ON 25.07.2016**

SCHEMES FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

1371. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan/scheme for the development of tourism in various States of the country including in the North Eastern Region (NER);**
- (b) if so, the details of the said schemes in various States along with the funds allocated and expenditure incurred during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to start a religious circuit for the NER and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has identified some new tourist spots in the NER and has taken steps including Public Private Partnerships for the development of these spots and to promote cultural heritage of the NER and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any specific plan for the infrastructure development to promote tourism industry in the North-Eastern region and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e): Ministry of Tourism launched two schemes pursuant to the Budget announcements of 2014-15 for the development and promotion of tourism in the country, including the North Eastern Region (NER).

The Swadesh Darshan Scheme was launched for Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits around Specific Themes. The National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) was launched to beautify and improve amenities and infrastructure at major pilgrimage sites in the country.

Thirteen theme based circuits have been identified under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme 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, 13 pilgrimage sites have been identified, which includes Kamakhya in North East.

The Guidelines for both the schemes provide for suitable Public- Private-Partnerships. However, no project proposal has so far been received under PPP.

Details of projects sanctioned to States/UTs, including the North East during 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 are given at Annexure.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA
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REGARDING SCHEMES FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT.****2014-15****Swadesh Darshan Scheme****(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of the Circuit	State	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World class coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh	69.83	13.96
2.	North-East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Bhalukpong-Bomdila-Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh	49.77	10.00
3.	Buddhist Circuit	Bihar	Cultural Centre, Bodhgaya	33.17	6.63
			Total	152.77	30.59

PRASAD Scheme**(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of the State & project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
	BIHAR		
1.	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	4.29	2.14
	UTTAR PRADESH		
2.	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	14.93	2.99
3.	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura	9.36	1.76
	ODISHA		
4.	Infrastructure Development at Puri,	50.00	10.00

	Shree Jagannath Dham- Ramachandi-Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit		
	Total	78.58	16.89

2015-16

Swadesh Darshan Scheme

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	Name of Theme	State	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	North-East India Circuit	Manipur	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang-Khongjom-Moreh	89.66	17.93
2.	North-East India Circuit	Sikkim	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	19.61
3.	Eco Circuit	Uttarakhand	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism,	80.37	16.07

			Adventure Sports, Associated Tourism related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination- District Tehri, Uttarakhand.		
4.	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri Potti Sriramalu Nellore in Andhra Pradesh	60.38	12.08
5.	North-East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Integrated Development of Adventure Tourism in Arunachal Pradesh	97.14	19.43
6.	Eco Circuit	Kerala	Gavi-Patha-Namthitta-Vagamon-Thekkady	99.22	19.84
7.	Desert Circuit	Rajasthan	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations under Desert Circuit in Swadesh Darshan Scheme	63.96	12.79
8.	Tribal Circuit	Nagaland	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren –Kohima-	97.36	19.47

			Wokha, Nagaland		
9.	Eco Circuit	Telangana	Integrated Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district, Telangana.	91.62	18.32
10.	Wildlife Circuit	Madhya Pradesh	Development of Wildlife Circuit at Panna – Mukundpur- Sanjay-Dubri- Bandhavgarh- Kanha-Mukki- Pench in Madhya Pradesh	92.22	18.44
11.	Wildlife Circuit	Assam	Wildlife Circuit of Assam	95.67	19.13
12.	North- East India Circuit	Tripura	Development of North East Circuit : Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur - Tirthamukh - Mandirghat – Dumboor- NarikelKunja - Gandachara – Ambassa	99.59	19.92
13.	Eco Circuit	Mizoram	Integrated Development of New Eco- Tourism at Thenzawl & South Zote, District	94.91	18.98

			Serchhip and Reike, Mizoram		
14.	Coastal Circuit	West Bengal	Development of Beach Circuit – Udaipur - Digha – Shankarpur – Tajpur – Mandarmani – Fraserganj – Bakkhilai -Henry Island	85.39	17.08
15.	Coastal Circuit	Puducherry	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under “Swadesh Darshan” Scheme	85.28	17.06
16.	Tribal Circuit	Chhattisgarh	Development of Tribal Tourism Circuit Jashpur-Kunkuri-Mainpat-Ambikapur-Maheshpur-ratanpur-Kurdar-Sarodadadar-Gangrel-Kondagaon-Nathyanawagao n-Jagdalspur-Chitrakoot-Tirthgarh in Chattisgarh	99.94	19.99
17.	Coastal Circuit	Maharashtra	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit in Maharashtra	82.17	12.79
			Total	1512.93	298.93

PRASAD Scheme**(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of the State & project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
	PUNJAB		
1.	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	6.45	1.29
	RAJASTHAN		
2.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	40.44	8.09
	ANDHRA PRADESH		
3.	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District of Andhra Pradesh as Tourist Destination	28.36	5.67
	ASSAM		
4.	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati.	33.98	6.80
	BIHAR		
5.	Development of Patna Sahib	41.54	8.31
	UTTAR PRADESH		
6.	Development of Varanasi	20.40	4.08
	UTTARAKHAND		
7.	Development of Kedarnath	34.78	4.47
	Total	205.95	38.71

2016-17**Swadesh Darshan Scheme****(Rs. in Crore)**

Sl. No.	Name of Theme	State	Name of Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	Coastal Circuit	Goa	Development of Coastal Circuit (Sinquerim0Bag a-Anjuna-Vagator-Morjim-Keri-Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail) in Goa under Swadesh Darshan Scheme	99.99	20.00

2.	Himalayan Circuit	Jammu & Kashmir	Integrated Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects in the State of Jammu and Kashmir under Himalayan Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme	82.97	16.59
3.	Tribal Circuit	Telangana	Integrated Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Tadavi-Damaravi-Mallur-Bogatha waterfalls as Tribal Circuit in Telangana under Swadesh Darshan Scheme	84.40	16.88
4.	North-East India Circuit	Meghalaya	Development of Umiam Lake-Ulum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang under North East Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme	99.13	19.83
			Total	366.49	73.30
