

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†148
ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016**

DEVELOPMENT OF RAM JANAKI CIRCUIT

†148. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to develop Ram Janaki Circuit to attract more tourists;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the above purpose;**
- (c) the action taken by the Government to ensure that Ram Janaki Circuit are well connected with major cities so as to increase the number of tourists to these places; and**
- (d) the details of the budget allocated for the same?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (d): For development of tourism infrastructure in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has launched Swadesh Darshan scheme- Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits in the year 2014-15. Ramayana Circuit has been identified as one of the thirteen thematic circuits for development under the scheme. No project has been sanctioned under Ramayana Circuit theme.

For improvement of connectivity in the circuit, central financial assistance is provided under the Swadesh Darshan scheme for the components like; last mile connectivity, heliports, helipads, procurement of equipment for eco- friendly modes of tourist transport etc.

The details of funds sanctioned to the various State Governments/Union Territories under the Swadesh Darshan scheme since 2014-15 till date are annexed.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†148 ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RAM JANAKI CIRCUIT.****DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME FROM 2014-15 TILL DATE****(Rs. in crore)**

Sr. No	Name of Theme	State	Name of Project	Sanction Amount
Year 2014-15				
1	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World class coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh.	69.83
2	North East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Development of Bhalukpong-Bomdila-Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh.	49.77
3	Buddhist Circuit	Bihar	Construction of Cultural Centre adjacent to Maya Sarovar on the western side at Bodhgaya, Bihar.	33.17
Year 2015-16				
1	North East India Circuit	Manipur	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang-Khongjom-Moreh.	89.66
2	North East India Circuit	Sikkim	Development of Tourist Circuit linking - Rangpo (entry) - Rorathang - Aritar - Phadamchen - Nathang - Sherathang - Tsongmo - Gangtok - Phodong - Mangan -	98.05

			Lachung - Yumthang - Lachen - Thangu - Gurudongmer - Mangan - Gangtok - Tumin Linge - 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
4	Coastal Circuit	Andhra Pradesh	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri Potti Sriramalu Nellore in Andhra Pradesh.	60.38
5	North East India Circuit	Arunachal Pradesh	Integrated Development of New Adventure Tourism in Arunachal Pradesh under North East Circuit of Swadesh Darshan.	97.14
6	Eco Circuit	Kerala	Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi-Vagamon-Thekkady as Eco Tourism Circuit in Idduki and Pahanamthitta Districts in Kerala under Swadesh Darshan scheme.	99.22

7	Desert Circuit	Rajasthan	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations in Jaipur District, Rajasthan under Desert Circuit in Swadesh Darshan scheme.	63.96
8	Tribal Circuit	Nagaland	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren – Kohima-Wokha, Nagaland.	97.36
9	Eco Circuit	Telangana	Integrated Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district, Telangana under Swadesh Darshan scheme.	91.62
10	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
11	Wildlife Circuit	Assam	Manas– Pobitora-Nameri- Kaziranga-Dibru Saikhowa as Wild Life Circuit in Assam.	95.67
12	North East India Circuit	Tripura	Development of North East Circuit : Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur - Tirthamukh - Mandirghat - Dumboor- NarikelKunja -	99.59

			Gandachara – Ambassa in Tripura.	
13	Eco 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
14	Coastal Circuit	West Bengal	Development of Beach Circuit in West Bengal – Udaipur – Digha – Shankarpur – Tajpur – Mandarmani – Fraserganj – Bakkhilai-Henry Island.	85.39
15	Coastal Circuit	Puducherry	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under “Swadesh Darshan” Scheme.	85.28
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.	99.94
17	Coastal Circuit	Maharashtra	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit in Maharashtra under Swadesh Darshan scheme.	82.17

Year 2016-17				
1	Coastal Circuit	Goa	Development of Coastal Circuit (Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail) in Goa under Swadesh Darshan scheme.	99.98
2	Himalayan Circuit	Jammu & Kashmir	Integrated Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects in the State of Jammu and Kashmir.	82.97
3	Tribal Circuit	Telangana	Integrated Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Medavaram-Tadvai-Damaravi-Mallur-Bogatha Waterfalls as Tribal Circuit in Telangana under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	84.40
4	North East India Circuit	Meghalaya	Development of Umiam (Lake View) – U Lum Sohpetbneng – Mawdiangdiang – Orchid lake Resort, Meghalaya.	99.13
