

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3675
ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016**

WORLD CLASS FACILITIES TO TOURISTS

**3675. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:
SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to renovate tourist areas and equip them with latest State-of-the-art facilities and also with user friendly public conveniences to make them accessible to more domestic and foreign tourists;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government in this regard along with the sites identified in various States/UTs of the country, State-wise including Rajasthan, Bihar and Jharkhand; and**
- (c) the time by which the said facilities are likely to be provided at tourist sites along with the funds allocated in this regard during the last three years?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): For development of tourism infrastructure and facilities in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has launched 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, integrated development of theme based circuits has been taken up for holistic and inclusive development which can provide engaging and complete tourism experience to both domestic and foreign tourists. The Scheme envisages enhancement of tourist attractiveness in a sustainable manner by developing world class infrastructure in the circuit destination.

Thirteen 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, Ramayana Circuit and Heritage Circuit have been identified for development under “Swadesh Darshan”.

The PRASAD Scheme guidelines envisage the integrated development of pilgrimage destinations in a planned, prioritized and sustainable manner to provide complete religious tourism experience to both domestic and foreign tourists.

Under PRASAD, thirteen cities/sites have been identified namely Ajmer, Amritsar, Amravati, Dwarka, Gaya, Kedarnath, Kamakhya, Kanchipuram, Mathura, Puri, Varanasi, Vellankanni and Patna.

The details of projects sanctioned to various States/Union Territory Administrations under both the schemes are annexed.

The completion time of projects sanctioned under the above scheme varies from 18 to 36 months.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3675 ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016 REGARDING WORLD CLASS FACILITIES TO TOURISTS.****DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASAD SCHEMES FROM 2014-15 TILL DATE.****Swadesh Darshan scheme****(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 - Lachung - Yumthang - Lachen - Thangu - Gurudongmer - Mangan - Gangtok - Tumin Lingee - Singtam (exit) in Sikkim	98.05

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 - Gandachara – Ambassa in Tripura.	99.59
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-	99.94

			Nathyanawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh in Chhattisgarh	
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
5	Buddhist Circuit	Madhya Pradesh	Development of Buddhist Circuit in Sanchi-Satna- Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar in Madhya Pradesh.	74.94
6.	Spiritual Circuit	Manipur	Development of Spiritual Circuit in Manipur- Shri Govindajee temple – Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple- Shri Gopinath Temple- Shri Bungshibodon	53.80

			Temple – Shri Kaina Temple	
7	Spiritual Circuit	Kerala	Development of Sabrimala-Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam as a Spiritual Circuit in District Pathanamthitta, Kerala.	99.99

PRASAD scheme

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	State	Name of the project	Sanction Amount
Year- 2014-15			
1	Bihar	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	4.29
2	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	14.93
3	Uttar Pradesh	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura	9.35
4	Odisha	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham-Ramachandi-Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	50.00
Year – 2015-16			
1	Punjab	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	6.45
2	Rajasthan	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	40.44
3	Andhra Pradesh	Development of amaravati Town, Guntur District of Andhra Pradesh as Tourist Destination	28.36
4	Assam	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati.	33.98
5	Bihar	Development at Patna Saheb	41.53
6	Uttar Pradesh	Development of Varanasi	20.40
7	Uttarakhand	Development of Kedamath	34.78
