

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2684**  
ANSWERED ON 16.07.2019

**MEASURES TO ATTRACT TOURISTS IN THE COUNTRY**

2684. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH:

Will the Minister of **TOURISM** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to help the State Governments to set up tourist oriented projects to attract tourists in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government has received a number of proposals from the State Governments in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourism in the States/Union Territories is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations. However, the Ministry of Tourism, under the schemes of Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD, provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. Submission of project proposals by the State Governments and UT Administrations for funding under the above schemes is a continuous process. The projects are sanctioned subject to their adherence to relevant scheme guidelines, submission of Detailed Project Reports, availability of funds and utilisation of funds released earlier.

Based on the above criteria, till date, the Ministry has sanctioned 77 projects under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme for Rs.6093.08 crore and 28 projects under the PRASHAD Scheme for Rs.854.34 crore, covering 30 States/UTs.

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