

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4791  
ANSWERED ON 22.07.2019**

**DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS TOURIST PLACES**

**4791. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plan/strategy to develop the religious tourist places;**
- (b) the details of the expenditure incurred in development of religious tourist places of the country, State/UT-wise including Assam;**
- (c) whether the Government has identified religious tourist places for development in Assam if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide adequate fund for development of religious tourist places of Barpeta HPC area like Barpeta Kirtan Ghar, Bagheswani Temple of Bongaigaon, Satras, Mazars/Dargahs and other temples?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

**(a) to (d): Development of Religious Tourist Places is the responsibility of the respective State Governments/Union Territories. However, Ministry of Tourism, under the schemes viz., Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and "Integrated Development of Theme Based Tourist Circuit in the Country, Swadesh Darshan (SD)" provides Central Financial Assistance for infrastructure development and beautification of pilgrim places on receipt of suitable DPRs submitted by State Governments/Union Territories, subject to availability of funds, liquidation of pending utilisation certificate against the fund released earlier and adherence to the relevant scheme guidelines.**

**The details of the projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism under the schemes including Assam is annexed.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4791 ANSWERED ON 22.07.2019 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS TOURIST PLACES****A. Detail of the projects approved under PRASAD Scheme.****(Rs. in crore)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Project Nos.</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Year of Sanction</b>	<b>Approved cost</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
<b>List of ongoing projects</b>						
<b>1</b>	<b>ANDHRA PRADESH</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>28.36</b>	<b>22.69</b>
		<b>2</b>	<b>Development of Srisailam Temple</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>47.45</b>	<b>37.96</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>ASSAM</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>30.71</b>	<b>22.03</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>BIHAR</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>4.27</b>	<b>2.91</b>
		<b>5</b>	<b>Development at Patna Sahib</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>41.54</b>	<b>33.23</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>GUJARAT</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Development of Dwarka</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>26.23</b>	<b>6.85</b>
		<b>7</b>	<b>Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>37.44</b>	<b>26.51</b>
		<b>8</b>	<b>Development of Promenade at Somnath under PRASHAD Scheme</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>44.59</b>	<b>13.77</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>JAMMU &amp;</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Development at</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>42.02</b>	<b>25.45</b>

	<b>KASHMIR</b>		<b>Hazratbal</b>			
<b>6</b>	<b>KERALA</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Development at Guruvayur Temple</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>46.14</b>	<b>36.91</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>MADHYA PRADESH</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Development of Omkareshwar</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>40.67</b>	<b>20.34</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>MAHARASHTRA</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Development of Trimbakeshwar</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>37.81</b>	<b>8.49</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>ODISHA</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree JagannathDham-Ramachandi-Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>RAJASTHAN</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>40.44</b>	<b>19.41</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>TAMILNADU</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Development of Kanchipuram</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>16.48</b>	<b>13.18</b>
		<b>16</b>	<b>Development of Vellankani</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>5.60</b>	<b>4.48</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>UTTARAKHAND</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Kedarnath</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>34.78</b>	<b>27.83</b>
		<b>18</b>	<b>Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham (Uttarakhand) under PRASHAD Scheme</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>39.24</b>	<b>11.77</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>UTTAR PRADESH</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>14.93</b>	<b>10.38</b>
		<b>20</b>	<b>Construction of Tourist Facilitation</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>9.36</b>	<b>7.36</b>

			<b>Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura</b>			
		<b>21</b>	<b>Development of Varanasi</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>20.40</b>	<b>16.32</b>
		<b>22</b>	<b>Cruse Tourism in River Ganga, Varanasi</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>10.72</b>	<b>5.14</b>
		<b>23</b>	<b>Development of Varanasi Under Prashad Scheme - II</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>44.60</b>	<b>18.46</b>
		<b>24</b>	<b>Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan, Mathura, UP</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>39.74</b>	<b>Adm. Sanction only on 08.01.2019</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>WEST BENGAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Development of Belur</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>30.03</b>	<b>23.39</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>JHARKHAND</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>39.13</b>	<b>Adm. Sanction only on 24.01.2019</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>NAGALAND</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>25.26</b>	<b>Adm. Appl. only on 03.02.2019</b>
<b>List of Completed projects</b>						
<b>17</b>	<b>PUNJAB</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar (Completed in April. 2018)</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>6.40</b>	<b>6.40</b>
			<b>Total</b>		<b>854.34</b>	<b>431.26</b>

**B. DETAILS of PROJECT SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME**

(Rs. in crore)

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Name of the Circuit</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Amt. Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount released</b>
<b>Year 2016-17</b>					

<b>1.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Buddhist Circuit in Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar in Madhya Pradesh.</b>	<b>74.94</b>	<b>54.51</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam as a Spiritual Circuit in District Pathanamthitta, Kerala.</b>	<b>99.99</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit – Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple, Manipur.</b>	<b>53.80</b>	<b>40.14</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>Krishna Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Tourism Infrastructures at places related to Mahabharata in Kurukshetra, Haryana.</b>	<b>97.35</b>	<b>70.60</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>Krishna Circuit</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand) in Rajasthan.</b>	<b>91.45</b>	<b>45.72</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Sree Padmanabha Arnamula- Sabrimala- as a Spiritual Circuit in Kerala</b>	<b>92.22</b>	<b>72.42</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Tirthankar circuit</b>	<b>Development of Tirthankar Circuit: Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir-</b>	<b>52.39</b>	<b>26.19</b>

			<b>Pawapuri- Champapuri in Bihar.</b>		
<b>8.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Spiritual circuit</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj – Dharmshala- Deoghar under Spiritual circuit in Bihar.</b>	<b>52.35</b>	<b>26.17</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Buddhist Circuit – Srawasti, Kushinagar, &amp;Kapilvastu in Uttar Pradesh.</b>	<b>99.97</b>	<b>45.03</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Ramayana Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur as Ramayana Circuit in Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>69.45</b>	<b>52.17</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit (Shahjahanpur-Basti- Ahar-Aligharh- Kasgunj-Sarosi- Pratapgarh-Unnao- Kaushambi- Mirzapur- Gorakpur- Kairana- Doamriyagunj- Bagpat- Barabanki- Azamgarh)</b>	<b>68.39</b>	<b>54.71</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit – II(Bijnor- Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi) in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme</b>	<b>63.77</b>	<b>50.33</b>

<b>13.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Buddhist circuit- Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya, Bihar</b>	<b>98.73</b>	<b>19.75</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit- Churu (Salasar Balaji)- Jaipur (Shri Samode Balaji, Ghat ke Balaji, Bandhe ke Balaji)- Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) – Mehandipur Balaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji) in Rajasthan under Swadesh Darshan scheme</b>	<b>93.90</b>	<b>46.95</b>
<b>Year 2017-18</b>					
<b>15.</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>Buddhist circuit</b>	<b>Development of Buddhist circuit: Junagadh- Gir Somnath- Bharuch- Kutch- Bhavnagar- Rajkot- Mehsana in Gujarat under Swadesh Darshan scheme</b>	<b>35.99</b>	<b>7.20</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Puducherry</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit in Puducherry under Swadesh Darshan Scheme</b>	<b>40.68</b>	<b>19.26</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Mandar Hill &amp; Ang Pradesh under Spiritual Circuit theme</b>	<b>53.49</b>	<b>10.70</b>

			<b>of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.</b>		
<b>18.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Ramayana Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Ayodhya under Ramayana Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme</b>	<b>133.31</b>	<b>66.65</b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam-Thotlakonda-Bavikonda-Bojjanakonda-Amravati- Anupu in Andhra Pradesh under the theme of Buddhist Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme</b>	<b>52.34</b>	<b>10.47</b>
<b>Year 2018-19</b>					
<b>20.</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Waki-Adasa- Dhapewada-Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi-Girad in Maharashtra</b>	<b>54.01</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>21.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Jewar-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda in Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>14.52</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram-Kunnumpara Sree Subrahmania-Chembazhanti Sree Narayana Gurukulam</b>	<b>69.47</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>23.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Kasaragod, Wayanad, Kannur, Kozhikode, Palakkad, Mallapuram, Thrichur, Ernakulam, Idukki, Kottayam, Allaphuza,</b>	<b>85.23</b>	<b>0.00</b>



			<b>Pathananamithitta, Kollam, Trivandrum</b>		
<b>24.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple (Domariyagunj)</b>	<b>21.16</b>	<b>0.00</b>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>1668.90</b>	<b>738.97</b>

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