GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1120 ANSWERED ON 20.09.2020

JOB CREATION THROUGH TOURIST SITES

1120. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI:

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

- (a) whether Government has taken note of large-scale scope for creation of employment at tourist destinations and has undertaken a serious home work to exploit the resource;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the names of tourist destinations where the local people have really been benefitted out of the initiative taken by Government; and
- (c) whether Government has any plan to identify new tourist destinations in each State of the country which could be promoted and developed as potential tourist destinations with basic tourism facilities based upon specially drawn-up master plans in the next three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Ministry of Tourism started the Destination Based Skill Development training programme at 7 Iconic Sites i.e. Taj Mahal at Agra, Humayun Tomb, Red Fort, Qutub Minar at Delhi, Mahabodhi Temple at Bihar, Colva Beach at Goa and Kaziranga at Assam from 2019-20 to train, upgrade and sensitize the local people residing near these tourism sites and destinations.

This programme is continued in FY 2020-21 at more than 150 new destinations. The state-wise details are given at Annexure.

(c): Development of tourism spots, is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government/ Union Territory Administration. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India under its schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and Assistance to Central Agencies, provides central financial assistance to State Governments/ Union Territories/ Central Agencies for development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities to provide an enriching tourism experience to visitors. The projects under the schemes are identified for development in consultation with State Governments/ UT Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1120 ANSWERED ON 20.09.2020 REGARDING JOB CREATION THROUGH TOURIST SITES

State-wise Number of Destinations where Skill Development Activities to be conducted in FY 2020-21			
S.No.	State	No. of Sites/destinations	
1	Tamil Nadu	6	
2	Uttar Pradesh	9	
3	Karnataka	6	
4	Andhra Pradesh	7	
5	Maharashtra	9	
6	Telangana	5	
7	West Bengal	5	
8	Madhya Pradesh	11	
9	Gujarat	7	
10	Rajasthan	7	
11	Punjab	5	
12	Uttrakhand	8	
13	Jharkhand	4	
14	Bihar	4	
15	Delhi	5	
16	Chhatisgarh	4	
17	Jammu & Kashmir	7	
18	Himachal Pradesh	7	
19	Kerala	4	
20	Odisha	10	
21	Goa	2	
22	Assam	5	
23	Haryana	5	
24	Sikkim	5	
25	Meghalaya	2	
26	Arunachal Pradesh	4	
27	Tripura	3	
28	Manipur	2	
29	Nagaland	2	
30	Mizoram	6	

31	Chandigarh	2
32	Puducherry	2
33	Ladakh	5
34	Dadra & Nagar Haveli Daman & Diu	2
35	Lakshwadeep	2
36	Andaman & Nicobar Island	4
	Total	183
