

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.983
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021**

**MAJOR CIVILISATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL TOURIST
DESTINATIONS**

**983. SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:
SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:
SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Country's major civilizational, cultural and spiritual tourists' destinations;**
- (b) whether the Government facilitates growth or support tourism on these destinations and if so, the details including the expenditure incurred and estimated benefits thereof;**
- (c) whether the Ministry has formulated plans for developing the under construction Shree Ram Janmboomi Temple in Ayodhya as a major cultural and civilizational heritage destination to attract foreign tourists; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Development and Promotion of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. The Ministry of Tourism, under its Swadesh Darshan scheme is developing thematic circuits in the country in planned and prioritized manner in order to develop tourism infrastructure at multiple destinations. As of now fifteen thematic circuits have been identified under this scheme for development namely; North-East, Buddhist, Himalayan, Coastal, Krishna, Desert, Tribal, Eco, Wildlife, Rural, Spiritual, Ramayana, Heritage, Sufi and Tirthankar. The Ministry of Tourism under its Ramayana Circuit theme has sanctioned a project 'Development of

Ayodhya' for an amount of Rs.127.21crore in the year 2017-18. The list of projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan scheme is annexed.

(c) & (d): The Ministry of Tourism as part of its regular promotional exercise promotes various tourism destinations and products of the country in domestic and international potential markets in a holistic manner. These promotions are undertaken through various communication platforms such as media campaigns, events, webinars, road shows, participation in fairs & festivals, social media platforms etc.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 983 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021 REGARDING MAJOR CIVILISATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL TOURIST DESINATIONS

THE DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN

Sl. No.	State/UT	Name of the Circuit	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned (Rs. in Crore)
Year 2014-15				
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang.	49.77
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipallyanjuna	67.84
Total of 2014-15				117.61
Year 2015-16				
3.	Manipur	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit at Imphal- Khongjom	72.23
4.	Sikkim	North-East Circuit	Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang- Sherathang- Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung- Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan- tamil- TuminLingee- Singtam (exit).	98.05
5.	Uttarakhand	Eco Circuit	Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba- Sarain around Tehri Lake.	69.17
6.	Rajasthan	Desert Circuit	Development of Shakambhari Mata Temple, Sambhar Salt Complex, DevyaniKund, SharmisthaSarovar,	63.96

			Naliasarand Other Destinations.	
7.	Nagaland	Tribal Circuit	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36
8.	Madhya Pradesh	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Circuit at Panna- Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri-Bandhavgarh- Kanha- Mukki- Pench.	92.22
9.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Nellore, Pulikat Lake, Ublamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham	49.46
10.	Telangana	Eco Circuit	Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)	91.62
11.	Kerala	Eco Circuit	Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi- Vagamon- Thekkady	76.55
12.	Mizoram	North East Circuit	Integrated Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek	92.26
13.	Assam	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Manas- Pobitora- Nameri- Kaziranga- Dibru- Saikhowa.	94.68
14.	Puducherry	Coastal Circuit	Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam	85.28
15.	Arunachal Pradesh	North East Circuit	Integrated Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa, Pappu, Pasa, Pakke	96.72

			Valleys, Lumdung, LafangSohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha	
16.	Tripura	North East Circuit	Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur-Tirthamukh- Mandirghat-Dumboor- NarikelKunja-Gandachara- Ambassa	82.85
17.	West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha-Shankarpur- Tajpur-Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai-Henry Island	85.39
18.	Chhattisgarh	Tribal Circuit	Development of Jashpur-Kunkuri- Mainpat-Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel-Kondagaon- NathiyaNawagaon-Jagdapur- Chitrakoot-Tirthgarh.	96.10
19.	Maharashtra	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort).	19.06
Total of 2015-16				1362.96
Year 2016-17				
20.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sinkerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	97.65
21.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects-Bhagwati Nagar	77.33

22.	Telangana	Tribal Circuit	Integrated Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Medavaram- Tadvai-Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.	79.87
23.	Meghalaya	North East Circuit	Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang – Orchid Lake Resort.	99.13
24.	Madhya Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar.	74.02
25.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam.	99.99
26.	Manipur	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple.	53.80
27.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Ahmedabad- Rajkot-Porbandar –Bardoli- Dandi.	59.17
28.	Haryana	Krishna Circuit	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at Brahmsarovar, Sanhit Sarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra.	97.35
29.	Rajasthan	Krishna Circuit	Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand).	75.80
30.	Sikkim	North East circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee– Maka- Temi-Bermoik Namchi- Okharey-Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit)	95.32
31.	Madhya Pradesh	Heritage circuit	Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho –	89.82

			Chanderi - Bhimbetka - Mandu	
32.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sree Padmanabha Temple, Aranmula- Sabrimala	92.22
33.	Bihar	Tirthankar circuit	Development of Vaishali-Arrah- Masad- Patna-Rajgir- Pawapuri-Champapuri.	37.19
34.	Bihar	Spiritual circuit	Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj- Mojma- Banka.	44.76
35.	Odisha	Coastal circuit	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara.	70.82
36.	Nagaland	Tribal circuit	Development of Mokokchung-Tuensang-Mon	98.14
37.	Uttarakhand	Heritage circuit	Development of Kumaon Region - Katarmal - Jogeshwar-Baijnath-Devidhura.	76.32
38.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian-Pulwama	84.46
39.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities under the Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package for J&K	90.43
40.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai & Sudhmahadev	90.85
41.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Anantnag- Kishtwar-Pahalgam - Daksum - RanjitSagar Dam.	87.44
42.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at	96.93

			Gulmarg-Baramulla-Kupwara-Leh	
43.	Uttar Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Sravasti, Kushinagar, & Kapilvastu.	99.97
44.	Uttar Pradesh	Ramayana Circuit	Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur	69.45
45.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Coastal Circuit	Development of Long Island-Ross Smith Island-Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair.	26.91
46.	Tamil Nadu	Coastal Circuit	Development of Chennai-Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari	72.26
47.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Shahjahanpur-Basti- Ahar-Aligharh-Kasgunj-Sarosi-Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur- Kairana-Doamriyagunj- Bagpat-Barabanki- Azamgarh	65.61
48.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual –II Circuit	Development of Bijnor-Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur-Salempur- Ghosi- Balia-Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh-Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba-Sonbhadra- Chandauli-Mishrikh- Bhadohi	67.51
49.	Uttar Pradesh	Heritage Circuit	Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- Marhar Dham (Sant Kabir Nagar)- Chauri Chaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- Mavahar Sthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)	33.17
50.	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit	Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	98.73
51.	Assam	Heritage	Development of Tezpur –	90.98

		Circuit	Majuli – Sibsagar	
52.	Himachal Pradesh	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Himalayan Circuit in Kiarighat, Shimla, Hatkoti, Manali, Kangra, Dharamshala, Bir, Palampur, Chamba	80.69
53.	Mizoram	Eco Circuit	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – Durtlang -Chatlang-Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee – Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang	99.07
54.	Rajasthan	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Churu (Salasar Balaji)– Jaipur (Shri Samode Balaji, Ghatke Balaji, Bandheke Balaji)- Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) – Mehandipur Balaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji)	93.90
55.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Vadnagar- Modhera and Patan	91.84
Total of 2016-17				2858.9
Year 2017-18				
56.	Bihar	Rural Circuit	Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.65
57.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula - Colva - Benaulim	99.35
58.	Gujarat	Buddhist circuit	Development of Junagadh-GirSomnath- Bharuch-Kutch- Bhavnagar- Rajkot-Mehsana	28.67
59.	Puducherry	Heritage	Development of Franco-	66.35

		Circuit	Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam	
60.	Puducherry	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry	40.68
61.	Rajasthan	Heritage Circuit	Development of Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort)- Jaipur (Nahargarh Fort)- Alwar (Bala Quila)- Sawai Madhopur (Ranthambore Fort and Khandar Fort)- Jhalawar (Gagron Fort)- Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort) Jaisalmer (Jaisalmer Fort) Hanumangarh (Kalibangan, Bhatner Fort and Gogamedi)- Jalore (Jalore Fort)- Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra)- Dholpur (Bagh-i-Nilofar and Purani Chawni)- Nagaur (Meera Bai Smarak)	90.92
62.	Telangana	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park- Paigah Tombs- Hayat Bakshi Mosque- Raymond's Tomb	96.90
63.	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh	47.52
64.	Madhya Pradesh	Eco Circuit	Development of Gandhisagar Dam- Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam- Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River.	94.61
65.	Uttar Pradesh	Ramayana Circuit	Development of Ayodhya.	127.21
66.	Andhra Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam- Thotlakonda- Bavikonda- Bojjanakonda- Amravati- Anupu in Andhra Pradesh	52.34

			under the theme of Buddhist Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	
Total of 2017-18				789.20
Year 2018-19				
67.	Maharashtra	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Waki-Adasa- Dhapewada-Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad	54.01
68.	--	Development of Wayside Amenities (Sub-Scheme)	Development of Wayside Amenities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar at Varanasi-Gaya; Lucknow-Ayodhya-Lucknow; Gorakhpur-Kushinagar; Kushinagar-Gaya- Kushinaga in collaboration with MoRTH	17.93
69.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Jewar-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda.	12.03
70.	Jharkhand	Eco Circuit	Development of Dalma-Chandil- Getalsud-BetlaNational park-Mirchaiya-Netarhat.	52.72
71.	Tripura	North East circuit	Development of Surma Cherra- Unakoti- Jampui Hills - Gunabati-Bhunaneshwari- Matabari-Neermahal- Boxanagar-Chottakhola- Pilak-Avangchaarra	65.00
72.	Punjab	Heritage Circuit	Development of Anandpur Sahib - Fatehgarh Sahib - Chamkaur Sahib - Ferozpur - Amritsar - Khatkar Kalan - Kalanour - Patiala	91.55
73.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram-Arruvipuram- Kunnumpara Sree Subrahmania-Chembazhanthi Sree Narayana Gurukulam	69.47

74.	Kerala	Rural Circuit	Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project	80.37
75.	Meghalaya	North East Circuit	Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw-Krem Tirot – Khudoi & Kohmang Falls – Khri River- Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls-Shyrmang- looksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, KattaBeel, Siju Caves)	84.97
76.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Gorakhnath Temple (Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple (Domariyaganj)	15.76
			Total of 2018-19	543.81
GRAND TOTAL				5672.48
