

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2237
ANSWERED ON 08.03.2021**

**RESTORATION OF FORTS DEVELOPED BY SHIVAJI MAHARAJ OF
MAHARASHTRA**

†2237. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme has been formulated or implemented to restore the forts established by Aaradhya Daivat Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj of Maharashtra;**
- (b) whether any proposal of the Government of Maharashtra for the development of tourism sector in this regard is lying pending with the Union Government;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the details of steps being taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State. However, the Ministry of Tourism under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory (UT) Administrations/Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. The projects are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc.

The scheme of Swadesh Darshan is currently under review however, following projects have been sanctioned to Maharashtra under Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD schemes.

- a) Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit sanctioned in the year 2015-16 for a total amount of Rs.19.06 crore under Swadesh Darshan scheme.**
- b) Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad sanctioned in the year 2018-19 for a total amount of Rs.54.01 crore under Swadesh Darshan scheme.**
- c) Development of Trimbakeshwar sanctioned for a total amount of Rs.37.80 in the year 2017-18 under PRASHAD scheme.**
