

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3199#**  
ANSWERED ON 23.03.2021

**RELIGIOUS TOURIST CIRCUIT IN CHHATTISGARH**

3199#. MS. SAROJ PANDEY:

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to create any religious tourist circuit in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c): Development and Promotion of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government / Union Territory Administration. The Ministry of Tourism, under the 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; including Chhattisgarh; for development of tourism infrastructure in consultation with them. The projects under these schemes 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 details of projects sanctioned in the State of Chhattisgarh by the Ministry of Tourism are as under:

- a) "Development of Jashpur – Kunkuri – Mainpat – Ambikapur - Maheshpur – Ratanpur – Kurdar - Sarodadadar – Gangrel - Kondagaon – Nathiya Nawagaon – Jagdalpur – Chitrakoot Tirthgarh" in 2015-16 under Tribal theme of Swadesh Darshan scheme for a total amount of Rs.96.10 crore.
- b) 'Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Rajnandgaon, Dongargarh, Chhattisgarh' in the year 2020-21 under the PRASHAD scheme for a total amount of Rs.43.33 crore.

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