

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.317
ANSWERED ON 20.07.2021

SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME AND PRASHAD SCHEME

317. DR. BANDA PRAKASH:

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

- (a) the total revenue generated and foreign exchange earned by Government through the tourism sector during the last three years;
- (b) the measures taken by Government to improve the tourism potential in India, State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is considering to add any new circuit under Swadesh Darshan scheme and Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive' (PRASHAD) scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a): Ministry of Tourism, Government of India does not maintained data on revenue generated from tourism. Further, details of Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEE) from tourism during year 2018, 2019 and 2020 are given below:

Year	Foreign Exchange Earnings (in Rs. crore)
2018 # ²	1,94,881
2019 # ²	2,11,661
2020 # ¹	50,136

¹: Provisional Estimates

²: Revised Estimates

(b): Measures taken by Ministry of Tourism to improve the tourism potential in India are given at **Annexure-I**.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Tourism under its scheme of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial Assistance to the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations/ Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure and facilities in the country. The approval of the new projects under these schemes is a continuous process which is done in consultation with the State Governments/ Union Territory 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 etc. Currently no new projects is sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan scheme. The details of the projects sanctioned under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes are **Annexure -II**.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 317 ANSWERED ON 20.07.2021 REGARDING SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME AND PRASHAD SCHEME

Details of measures taken by Ministry of Tourism to improve the tourism potential in India are given below:

1. Development of theme based tourist circuits under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.
2. Holistic development of identified pilgrimage destinations under the National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Scheme.
3. 19 Iconic Sites in the country have been identified for development by seeking convergence with other Central Ministries/Departments/ State Governments /Urban Local Bodies.
4. Development and maintenance of tourist amenities at heritage sites/monuments and other tourist sites under the Adopt a Heritage Project.
5. 24x7 toll free Multi-Lingual Tourist Helpline to assist tourists.
6. Providing facility of e-Visa for 5 sub-categories i.e. e-Tourist visa, e-Business visa, e-Medical visa, e-Medical Attendant visa and e-Conference visa for nationals of 171 countries.
7. Incredible India Tourist Facilitator Certification Programme, a digital initiative that aims at creating an online learning platform with the objective of creating a pool of well trained professional tourist facilitators across the country to support tourists.
8. Conducting Programmes under the 'Capacity Building for Service Providers' (CBSP) Scheme to train and up-grade manpower to provide better service standards.
9. Operationalization of identified tourism routes under RCS UDAN-3. Of 46 awarded tourism routes, 27 have been operationalized.
10. Dekho Apna Desh initiative with the objective of creating awareness among the citizens about the rich heritage and culture of the country and encourage citizens to travel within the country. Since April 2020, over 73 webinars have been organized under Dekho Apna Desh initiative wherein a large number of people participated.
11. National Integrated Database of Hospitality Industry (NIDHI) Portal to create a comprehensive national database of accommodation units in the country to be used for promotion and development of tourism.
12. System for Assessment, Awareness and Training for Hospitality Industry (SAATHI) launched in association with the Quality Council of India, to sensitize the industry on the COVID regulations of the government and instil confidence amongst the staff and guests that the hospitality unit has exhibited intent towards ensuring safety and hygiene at the workplace.
13. Financial support to tourism and hospitality stakeholders under the Schemes of Market Development Assistance (MDA) for promotion of India as a tourism destination in the domestic and overseas markets.

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.317 ANSWERED ON 20.07.2021 REGARDING SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME AND PRASHAD SCHEME

THE DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASHAD SCHEMES.

I. SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	State/UT	Name of the Circuit	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctionedd
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 - HopeIsland - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipallyanjuna	67.84
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, Naliasarand Other Destinations.	50.01
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	49.55

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 Valleys, Lumdung, Lafang Sohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha	96.72
16.	Tripura	North East Circuit	Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur- Tirthamukh- Mandirghat- Dumboor- Narikel Kunja- Gandachara- Ambassa	82.85
17.	West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur-Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani-Fraserganj-Bakkhlai-Henry Island	85.39
18.	Chhattisgarh	Tribal Circuit	Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon-Nathiya Nawagaon- Jagdalpur- 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
Year 2016-17				
20.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	97.65
21.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Jammu-Srinagar-Pehalgam-Bhagwati Nagar-Anantnag- Salamabad Uri-Kargil-Leh	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 LumSohpetbneng-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, SanhitSarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra.	97.35
29.	Rajasthan	Krishna Circuit	Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), KhatuShyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand).	75.80
30.	Sikkim	North East circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee– Maka-Temi-BermoikNamchi- Okharey - Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit)	95.32
31.	Madhya Pradesh	Heritage circuit	Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho – Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu	89.82
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-Bajjnath-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 - Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package	90.43
40.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai and Sudhmahadev	90.85
41.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Anantnag-Kishwar-Pahalgam-Daksum-Ranjit Sagar Dam	87.44
42.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla- Kupwara-Kargil -Leh	91.84
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.	27.57
46.	Tamil Nadu	Coastal Circuit	Development of Chennai- Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari	73.13
47.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Shahjahanpur-Basti- Ahar-Aligarh-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)-MarharDham (SantKabir Nagar)-ChauriChaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)-MavaharSthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)	33.17
50.	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit	Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	98.73
51.	Assam	Heritage Circuit	Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar	90.98

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	66.37
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 and Modhera	91.84
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 - Gir Somnath - Bharuch - Kutch - Bhavnagar - Rajkot - Mehsana	28.67
59.	Puducherry	Heritage Circuit	Development of Franco-Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam	66.35
60.	Puducherry	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry	34.96
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	24.14
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- Kushinagar 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 - Chotta khola- Pilak- Avangcharra	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 Subrahmanian-Chembazhanti 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 (Nongkhaw- Krem Tiro - Khudoi & Kohmang Falls – Khri River-Mawthadraishan, Shillon), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls- Shyrmang- Iooksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, Katta Beel, Siju Caves)	84.97
76.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple(Domariyaganj)	15.76

II. PRASHAD SCHEME

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Project Nos	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Approved cost
List of ongoing projects					
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	1.	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination**	2015-16	27.77
		2.	Development of Srisailam Temple**	2017-18	47.45
2.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	3.	Development of Parasuram Kund, Lohit Distt.	2020-21	37.88
3.	ASSAM	4.	Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati**	2015-16	29.99
4.	BIHAR	5.	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar**	2014-15	4.27
		6.	Development at Patna Sahib**	2015-16	41.54
5.	CHHATTISGARH	7.	Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Rajnandgaon, Dongargarh, Chhattisgarh	2020-21	43.33
6.	GUJARAT	8.	Development of Dwarka**	2016-17	13.08
		9.	Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath**	2016-17	45.36
		10.	Development of Promenade at Somnath under PRASHAD Scheme**	2018-19	47.12
7.	HARYANA	11.	Development of Nada Saheb Gurudwara and Mata Mansha Devi Temple in Panchkula District	2019-20	49.52
8.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	12.	Development at Hazratbal,	2016-17	40.46
9.	JHARKHAND	13.	Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar	2018-19	39.13
10.	KERALA	14.	Development at Guruvayur Temple**	2016-17	46.14
11.	MADHYA PRADESH	15.	Development of Omkareshwar	2017-18	44.83
		16.	Development of Amarkantak	2020-21	49.99
12.	MAHARASHTRA	17.	Development of Trimbakeshwar	2017-18	37.81
13.	MEGHALAYA	18.	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation in Meghalaya	2020-21	29.32
14.	NAGALAND	19.	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland	2018-19	25.26
15.	ODISHA	20.	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham – Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	2014-15	50.00

16.	PUNJAB	21.	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar **	2015-16	6.40
17.	RAJASTHAN	22.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	32.64
18.	SIKKIM	23.	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom	2020-21	33.32
19.	TAMILNADU	24.	Development of Kanchipuram**	2016-17	13.99
		25.	Development of Vellankani**	2016-17	4.86
20.	TELANGANA	26.	Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur	2020-21	36.73
21.	TRIPURA	27.	Development of Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur	2021-21	37.84
22.	UTTARAKHAND	28.	Integrated Development of Kedarnath**	2015-16	34.78
		29.	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham (Uttarakhand) under PRASHAD Scheme	2018-19	39.24
		30.	Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities and Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham in Uttarakhand under PRASHAD Scheme	2021-22	54.36
23.	UTTAR PRADESH	31.	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)**	2014-15	14.93
		32.	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura**	2014-15	9.36
		33.	Development of Varanasi – Phase –I**	2015-16	20.40
		34.	Cruse Tourism in River Ganga, Varanasi	2017-18	10.72
		35.	Development of Varanasi Under Prashad Scheme – Phase II	2017-18	44.60
		36.	Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan, Mathura, UP	2018-19	39.74
24.	WEST BENGAL	37.	Development of Belur	2016-17	30.03

** Projects completed successfully
