

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2544
ANSWERED ON 24.03.2022

PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN WEST BENGAL

2544. SMT. MAUSAM NOOR:

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

- (a) whether any allocation of fund has been made by Government to promote tourism in the State of West Bengal during the last three years and if so, the district-wise details of the funds allocated for the purpose; and
- (b) whether any scheme to promote tourism in Malda district in West Bengal is being prepared keeping in view the great potential of tourism in the district and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. 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 Administrations/Central Agencies etc. for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. The projects sanctioned under the schemes are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports and adherence to Scheme Guidelines. The selection of places for promotion & development as tourist sites is the primarily responsibility of the State Government / Union Territory Administration. The funds under Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD are not sanctioned district-wise. The details of the projects sanctioned in West Bengal under the Schemes of Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD are as in Annexure.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2544 ANSWERED ON 24.03.2022 FOR PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN WEST BENGAL**

Swadesh Darshan Scheme

(Rs. in crore)

State/UT	Circuit	Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	2015-16	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakkhlai- Henry Island	67.99

National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Scheme

(Rs. in crore)

State/UT	Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
West Bengal	2016-17	Development of Belur	30.03
