

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2885
ANSWERED ON 21.03.2022**

STATUS OF BUDDHIST CIRCUIT PROJECT IN ANDHRA PRADESH

**2885. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:
SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV:
SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the Buddhist Circuit project in Andhra Pradesh;**
- (b) whether full funds under the aforementioned project have been released and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (c) the details of the financial assistance provided to Andhra Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan and Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive schemes?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Tourism under its 'Swadesh Darshan' scheme sanctioned a project in the year 2017-18 under Buddhist Circuit theme and the sanctioned cost of this project was revised to Rs. 24.14 Cr. Full funds in respect of this project has been released.

(c): The details of projects sanctioned in the State of Andhra Pradesh under the Ministry of Tourism's schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive' (PRASHAD) are annexed.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2885 ANSWERED ON 21.03.2022 REGARDING STATUS OF BUDDHIST CIRCUIT PROJECT IN ANDHRA PRADESH****THE DETAIL OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER THE SCHEMES OF SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASHAD.****(Amt. in ₹ crore)**

S. No.	Circuit	Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. Released
SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME					
1	Coastal Circuit	2014-15	Development of Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipally	67.84	67.84
2	Coastal Circuit	2015-16	Development of Nellore - Pulikat Lake - Ublama dugu Water Falls - Nelapattu-Kotha koduru- Mypadu - Ramateertham - Iskapalli	49.55	47.76
3	Buddhist Circuit	2017-18	Development of: Shalihundam- Thotlakonda- Bavikonda- Bojjanakonda- Amravati- Anupu	24.14	26.17
PRASHAD SCHEME					
1.	2015-16	Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination		27.77	27.77
2.	2017-18	Development of Srisailam Temple		43.08	43.08
