GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1417 # ANSWERED ON 28.07.2022

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST PLACES IN TRIBAL AREAS OF JHARKHAND

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

- (a) whether Government is preparing any special action plan for the development of tourist places located in tribal areas of the State of Jharkhand, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is a possibility of employment generation for the local tribal population through this plan; and
- (c) the details of the funds spent for the development of tourist places in Jharkhand, during last three years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(a) to (c): 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 the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/Central Agencies for developing tourism infrastructure in the country including Jharkhand. The projects under the above 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, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc. The details of the projects sanctioned under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes in the State of Jharkhand is as under:-

S. No.	Scheme	Year of sanction	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. Released
1.	Swadesh Darshan	2018-19	Development of Dalma- Betla National park- Mirchaiya- Netarhat	34.12	26.37
2.	PRASHAD	2018-19	Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar	39.13	31.23

The Ministry of Tourism has now revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible destinations in the country, following a tourist & destination centric approach.

In a third party impact assessment of Swadesh Darshan scheme, it is mentioned that the scheme has been able to fillip livelihood opportunities and creates employment for the local Communities in construction phase.

(Rupees in Crore)

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