GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2225

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LINKING NIMAR TO SARDAR SAROVAR UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN

2225# DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:

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

- (a) whether Swadesh Darshan Scheme has contributed in expansion of domestic tourism sector in the Country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any provision to link Nimar region of Madhya Pradesh with Sardar Sarovar project under this Scheme; and
- if so, the details thereof and if not, whether there is any possibility of this happening in future?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Tourism under its Swadesh Darshan Scheme has sanctioned 76 projects for Rs.5399.15 crores for development of tourism infrastructure in the country with the objective of promoting its cultural and heritage value, to provide complete tourism experience, follow community based development and pro-poor tourism approach, creating awareness among the local communities about the importance of tourism etc.
- (c) & (d): The Ministry of Tourism has already sanctioned 04 projects in the State of Madhya Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan scheme however as of now there is no proposal to link it with Sardar Sarovar project. The Ministry of Tourism has now revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) in order to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations in the country with tourist & destination centric approach. The guidelines for Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme has already been issued to all the States/Union Territory Administrations.
