

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2379
ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022**

MAJOR PILGRIMAGE CENTRES UNDER PRASAD SCHEME

†2379. SHRI ARUN SAO:

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:

SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified major pilgrimage centres under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation And Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD), particularly in the State of Chhattisgarh;**
- (b) if so, the details of efforts made/proposed to be made for enriching the religious tourism experience;**
- (c) whether any communication has been sent to the State Government of Chhattisgarh to identify the important religious places or any proposal/request has been received from Chhattisgarh and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Union Government proposes to identify places of religious importance in Chhattisgarh; and**
- (e) whether there are provisions to add religious sites to the list of identified centres under the PRASAD scheme in accordance with the local demands and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): Identification of destinations and approval of projects for development of tourism infrastructure at identified destinations under PRASHAD Scheme is a continuous process. As course of action, Ministry of Tourism, from time to time, issues letters to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to nominate the destinations to be included under the scheme. After following the process, till date 39 projects have been approved under PRASHAD Scheme, including one project for the State of Chhattisgarh. List of the approved projects under PRASHAD Scheme is attached.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2379 ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022 REGARDING MAJOR PILGRIMAGE CENTRES UNDER PRASAD SCHEME.

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Project Nos.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Approved cost
			Names of approved projects		₹ in Cr.
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	43.08
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	29.80
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	2018-19	47.12

			Promenade at Somnath under PRASHAD Scheme**		
		11.	Development of Pilgrim Plaza with Queue Management Complex at Somnath Gujarat	2021-22	49.97
7.	Haryana	12.	Development of Nada Saheb Gurudwara and Mata Mansha Devi Temple in Panchkula District	2019-20	49.52
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	13.	Development at Hazratbal,	2016-17	40.46
9.	Jharkhand	14.	Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar	2018-19	39.13
10.	Kerala	15.	Development at Guruvayur Temple**	2016-17	46.14
11.	Madhya Pradesh	16.	Development of Omkareshwar	2017-18	44.83
		17.	Development of Amarkantak	2020-21	49.99
12.	Maharashtra	18.	Development of Trimbakeshwar	2017-18	52.92
13.	Meghalaya	19.	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation in Meghalaya	2020-21	29.32
14.	Nagaland	20.	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland	2018-19	25.26
15.	Odisha	21.	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree Jagannath Dham – Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	2014-15	50.00
16.	Punjab	22.	Development of KarunaSagar	2015-16	6.40

			Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar **		
		23.	Development of Chamkaur Sahib at Rupar, Punjab under PRASHAD Scheme	2021-22	31.57
17.	Rajasthan	24.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	32.64
18.	Sikkim	25.	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom	2020-21	33.32
19.	Tamilnadu	26.	Development of Kanchipuram**	2016-17	13.99
		27.	Development of Vellankani**	2016-17	4.86
20.	Telangana	28.	Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur	2020-21	36.73
21.	Tripura	29.	Development of Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur	2020-21	37.80
22.	Uttarakhand	30.	Integrated Development of Kedarnath**	2015-16	34.77
		31.	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham (Uttarakhand) under PRASHAD Scheme	2018-19	56.13
		32.	Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities and Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham in Uttarakhand under PRASHAD Scheme	2021-22	54.36
23.	Uttar	33.	Development of	2014-15	14.93

	Pradesh		Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)**		
		34.	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura**	2014-15	9.36
		35.	Development of Varanasi –Phase –I**	2015-16	20.40
		36.	Cruise Tourism in River Ganga, Varanasi	2017-18	10.72
		37.	Development of Varanasi Under Prashad Scheme – Phase II	2017-18	44.60
		38.	Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan, Mathura, UP	2018-19	39.74
24.	West Bengal	39.	Development of Belur	2016-17	30.03

(Physical execution of work completed).**
