

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1948
ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022**

PROJECTS APPROVED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN BIHAR

1948. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the projects for development of tourism approved, sanctioned and executed in Bihar during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;**
- (b) the details of the tourism projects completed so far and the time by which the remaining projects are likely to be completed;**
- (c) the reasons for the delay in completion of the pending projects;**
- (d) the details of funds allocated, released and utilized for the development of tourism sector in the State during the said period, year-wise; and**
- (e) whether the State Government of Bihar has submitted any proposal to the Government and if so, the details thereof along with the present status of ongoing projects in the State of Bihar?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Tourism (MoT) under its Schemes of Swadesh Darshan, Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and Assistance to Central Agencies provides assistance to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/Central Agencies for development of Tourism infrastructure in the country. The projects for development under

the schemes are identified in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/Central Agencies 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 list of the projects sanctioned under the above mentioned schemes in Bihar including amount sanctioned, released, utilised and their status is annexed.

(e): The Ministry has now revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations, following a tourist & destination centric approach. Gaya and Nalanda have been selected for development under SD2.0 whereas Punaura Dham in Sitamarhi District of Bihar is a site identified for development under PRASHAD Scheme of MoT.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1948 ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022 REGARDING PROJECTS APPROVED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN BIHAR****List of the Projects Sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and CFA Schemes in Bihar****(Rupees in Crore)**

S. No.	Scheme	Name of the project	Year	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. Released	Amt. Utilised	Status
1	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri	2016-17	33.97	30.04	26.19	Complete
2	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj - Dharmshala- Deoghar	2016-17	44.76	42.52	40.51	Complete
3	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Buddhist circuit- Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	2016-17	95.18	93.22	93.22	Complete
4	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	2017-18	44.27	39.96	35.72	Complete
5	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh	2017-18	44.55	40.85	39.34	Complete
6	PRASHAD	Development of Basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar	2014-15	4.27	2.91	2.91	Complete
7	PRASHAD	Development at Patna Sahib	2015-16	41.54	33.23	29.35	Complete

8	Assistance to Central Agencies	Development of Jetties at nine main points of embarkation/disembarkation of River Cruise including Bhagalpur, Bihar on National Water ways No. 1 & 2	2019-20	28.03	7.00	-	Under implementation
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