

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3123
ANSWERED ON 20.03.2023**

**STATUS OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM ANDHRA PRADESH
UNDER PRASAD SCHEME**

3123.SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of proposals received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh under the PRASAD Scheme;**
- (b) whether the data has been maintained of beneficiaries of capacity building, skill development and knowledge management training mentioned under the scheme guidelines and if so, the State-wise details thereof;**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (d) the percentage of the total contribution to the fund being done by CSR and PPP;**
- (e) whether the impact evaluation study been conducted to assess the impact of the scheme on employment generation, improved living standards, and economic development as envisioned in the mission objectives and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a): The details of projects under Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh is annexed.

(b) & (c): Capacity development, Skill Development and knowledge management are admissible components for project sanctioning under PRASHAD Scheme which are then approved by Ministry of Tourism on receipt of such request in the project report submitted

by the State. However, no such component has been included in the projects approved so far.

(d): PRASHAD is a central sector scheme fully funded by Government of India.

(e) & (f): The Ministry of Tourism has conducted evaluation of PRASHAD scheme which envisages that the scheme could immensely contribute towards improving the infrastructure at all the identified Project locations and also has the potential of generating substantial employment opportunities. The Scheme has direct bearing on the quality of overall pilgrim amenities with a view to provide world class facilities at the project locations. The scheme can play a catalytic role in creating the much needed Pilgrimage infrastructure besides generating local employment and livelihoods.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3123 ANSWERED ON 20.03.2023 REGARDING STATUS OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM ANDHRA PRADESH UNDER PRASAD SCHEME

The details of projects under Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Approved cost (Rs. in Crore)	Amount Released (Rs. in Crore)	Status
Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination	2015-16	27.77	27.77	Complete
Development of Srisailam Temple	2017-18	43.08	43.08	Complete
Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narsimha Swami Vari Devasthanam at Simhachalam in Vishakhapatnam	2022-23	54.04	0.00	Project approved on 14.12.2022

In addition, this Ministry has received two project proposals viz. 'Development of Sri Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy Temple', Annavaram, Kakinada District and 'Development of Vedagiri Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy Temple', Nellore District from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh under PRASHAD Scheme for consideration.
