

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1738**  
ANSWERED ON 03.08.2023

**TOURIST CIRCUITS UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME**

1738 DR. M. THAMBIDURAI:

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

- (a) whether Government has set up tourist circuits under Swadesh Darshan Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the existing tourist circuits in the country, State-wise including Tamil Nadu;
- (d) whether Government proposes to add some more tourist places in Tamil Nadu under that scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism launched its 'Swadesh Darshan Scheme' (SDS) in 2014-15 with the objective of integrated development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits in the country and sanctioned 76 projects under various identified themes in the country including Tamil Nadu; the details of which is annexed.

The Ministry of Tourism has revamped the Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations and has identified 'Mamallapuram' and 'The Nilgiris' as destinations for development in the State of Tamil Nadu.

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**ANNEXURE**

**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1738 ANSWERED ON 03.08.2023 REGARDING TOURIST CIRCUITS UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME**

DETAIL OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER IDENTIFIED THEMATIC CIRCUITS OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME.

**BUDDHIST CIRCUIT**

**(Amount in ₹ crore)**

S.No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Madhya Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar.	74.02
2.	Uttar Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Sravasti, Kushinagar, & Kapilvastu.	87.89
3.	Bihar	(2016-17)	Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	95.18
4.	Gujarat	(2017-18)	Development of Junagadh- Gir Somnath- Bharuch-Kutch- Bhavnagar- Rajkot- Mehsana	26.68
5.	Andhra Pradesh	(2017-18)	Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam- Bavikonda- Bojjanakonda - Amravati- Anupu	35.24
<b>Total</b>				<b>319.01</b>

**COASTAL CIRCUIT**

**(Amount in ₹ crore)**

S.No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Andhra Pradesh	(2014-15)	Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipally	67.83
2.	Andhra Pradesh	(2015-16)	Development of Nellore, Pulikat Lake, Ubblamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham	49.55
3.	Puducherry	(2015-16)	Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam	58.44
4.	West Bengal	(2015-16)	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur-Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakkhlai-Henry Island	67.99
5.	Maharashtra	(2015-16)	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort).	19.06
6.	Goa	(2016-17)	Development of Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-	97.65

			Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	
7.	Odisha	(2016-17)	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara.	70.82
8.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	(2016-17)	Development of Long Island-Ross Smith Island- Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair.	27.57
9.	Tamil Nadu	(2016-17)	Development of Chennai-Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari	73.13
10.	Goa	(2017-18)	Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula -Colva - Benaolim	99.35
<b>Total</b>				<b>631.39</b>

### DESERT CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ Crore)

S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Rajasthan	(2015-16)	Development of Shakambhari Mata Temple, Sambhar Salt Complex, DevyaniKund, SharmisthaSarovar, Naliasarand Other Destinations.	50.01
<b>Total</b>				<b>50.01</b>

### ECO CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ Crore)

S.No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Uttarakhand	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba-Sarain around Tehri Lake.	69.17
2.	Telangana	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)	91.62
3.	Kerala	(2015-16)	Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi-Vagamon- Thekkady.	64.08
4.	Mizoram	(2016-17)	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – -Chatlang-Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee – Beratlawng -Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang	66.37
5.	Madhya Pradesh	(2017-18)	Development of Gandhisagar Dam-Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam-Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam- Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River	93.76
6.	Jharkhand	(2018-19)	Development of Eco Tourism circuit: Dalma- Betla National park- Mirchaiya-Netarhat	30.11
<b>Total</b>				<b>415.11</b>

**HERITAGE CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ Crore)**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Gujarat	(2016-17)	Development of Ahmedabad- Rajkot- Porbandar –Bardoli- Dandi.	58.42
2.	Madhya Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho – Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu	89.82
3.	Uttarakhand	(2016-17)	Development of Kumaon Region – Katarmal –Jogeshwar-Baijnath-Devidhura.	76.32
4.	Uttar Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- MarharDham (SantKabir Nagar)- ChauriChaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- MavaharSthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)	33.92
5.	Assam	(2016-17)	Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar	90.98
6.	Gujarat	(2016-17)	Development of Vadnagar- Modhera	91.12
7.	Puducherry	(2017-18)	Development of Franco- Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam	49.44
8.	Rajasthan	(2017-18)	Development of Heritage Circuit Development of Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort) - Jaipur (Facade Illumination in Jaipur and Nahargarh Fort) -Jhalawar (Gagron Fort) - Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort) – Jaisalmer (Jaisalmer Fort) - Hanumangarh (Gogamedi) - Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra) - Dholpur (Bagh-I-Nilofor and Purani Chawani) - Nagaur (Meera Bai Smarak, Merta) - Tonk (Sunehri Kothi)	70.61
9.	Telangana	(2017-18)	Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park- Paigah Tombs- Hayat Bakshi Mosque- Raymond's Tomb	96.90
10.	Punjab	(2018-19)	Development of Anandpur Sahib – Fatehgarh Sahib – Chamkaur Sahib – Ferozpur – Khatkar Kalan – Kalanour - Patiala	94.51
<b>Total</b>				<b>752.04</b>

**HIMALAYAN CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects-Bhagwati Nagar	77.33

2.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian-Pulwama	81.60
3.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist Facilities under the Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package for J&K	90.43
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai & Sudhmahadev	91.99
5.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist Facilities at Anantnag- Kishtwar- Pahalgam – Daksum – RanjitSagar Dam.	86.39
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla-Kupwara-Leh	91.84
7.	Himachal Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Himalayan Circuit in Kiarighat, Shimla, Hatkoti, Manali, Kangra, Dharamshala, Bir, Palampur, Chamba	68.34
<b>Total</b>				<b>587.92</b>

### KRISHNA CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ crore)

S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Haryana	(2016-17)	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at Brahmsarovar, SanhitSarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra.	70.91
2.	Rajasthan	(2016-17)	Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand).	75.80
<b>Total</b>				<b>146.71</b>

### NORTH-EAST CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ crore)

S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	(2014-15)	Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong-Bomdila and Tawang.	49.77
2.	Manipur	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Imphal-Khongjom	72.23
3.	Sikkim	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen-Nathang-Sherathang- Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung-Yumthang-Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan-Gangtok-TuminLingee- Singtam (exit).	98.05
4.	Mizoram	(2015-16)	Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek	92.26
5.	Arunachal Pradesh	(2015-16)	Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa, Pappu, Pasa, Pakke Valleys, Lumdung, LafangSohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha	96.72

6.	Tripura	(2015-16)	Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur-Tirthamukh- Mandirghat- Dumboor-NarikelKunja- Gandachara- Ambassa	82.85
7.	Meghalaya	(2016-17)	Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang – Orchid Lake Resort.	99.13
8.	Sikkim	(2016-17)	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee- Maka- Temi- BermoikNamchi- Okharey- Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit)	95.32
9.	Tripura	(2018-19)	Development of Surma Cherra- Unakoti-Jampui Hills- Gunabati-Bhunaneshwari-Matabari- Neermahal- Boxanagar-Chottakhola- Pilak- Avangchaarra	44.83
10.	Meghalaya	(2018-19)	Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw- KremTiro - Khudoi&Kohmang Falls – Khri River-Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls- Shyrmang- Iooksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, KattaBeel, Siju Caves)	84.97
<b>Total</b>				<b>816.13</b>

### RAMAYANA CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ crore)

S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Uttar Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur	69.45
2.	Uttar Pradesh	(2017-18)	Development of Ayodhya	127.21
<b>Total</b>				<b>196.66</b>

### SPIRITUAL CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ crore)

S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Kerala	(2016-17)	Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam as a Spiritual Circuit in District Pathanamthitta, Kerala.	54.88
2.	Manipur	(2016-17)	Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple.	45.34
3.	Kerala	(2016-17)	Development of Sree Padmanabha Temple, Aranmula- Sabrimala	78.08
4.	Bihar	(2016-17)	Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj – Dharmshala- Deoghar	44.76
5.	Uttar Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Spiritual Circuit-I(Shahjahanpur-Allahabad-Basti- Ahar-Aligarh-Kasgunj-Sarosi-Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur- Kairana- Doamriyagunj- Bagpat-	71.91

			Barabanki- Azamgarh)	
6.	Uttar Pradesh	(2016-17)	Development of Bijnor- Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi	67.51
7.	Rajasthan	(2016-17)	Development of Spiritual Circuit- 'Development of Churu (Salasar Balaji)-Jaipur (Shri Samodke Balaji, Ghatke Balaji, Bandheke Balaji)-Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)-Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) - Mehndipur Balaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji)	87.05
8.	Puducherry	(2017-18)	Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry	34.96
9.	Bihar	(2017-18)	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh.	44.55
10.	Maharashtra	(2018-19)	Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada-Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi-Girad	53.96
11.	Uttar Pradesh	(2018-19)	Development of Jewar-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda	12.03
12.	Uttar Pradesh	(2018-19)	Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple(Domariyaganj)	18.30
13.	Kerala	(2018-19)	Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram- KunnumparaSreeSubrahmania- ChembazhanthiSree Narayana Gurukulam	66.42
<b>Total</b>				<b>679.75</b>

## TRIBAL CIRCUIT

(Amount in ₹ crore)

S. No.	State/UT	Year	Name of the Project/ Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Nagaland	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36
2.	Chhattisgarh	(2015-16)	Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- Nathiya Nawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.	96.10
3.	Telangana	(2016-17)	Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram- Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.	79.87
4.	Nagaland	(2016-17)	Development of Mokokchung- Tuensang- Mon	98.14
<b>Total</b>				<b>371.47</b>

**WILDLIFE CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Madhya Pradesh	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri-Bandhavgarh-Kanha- Mukki- Pench.	92.10
2.	Assam	(2015-16)	Development of Manas- Pobitora- Nameri- Kaziranga- Dibru- Saikhowa.	94.68
<b>Total</b>				<b>186.78</b>

**RURAL CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Bihar	(2017-18)	Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa-Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.27
2.	Kerala	(2018-19)	Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project	57.35
<b>Total</b>				<b>101.62</b>

**TIRTHANKAR CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Bihar	(2016-17)	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad-Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri.	33.97
<b>Total</b>				<b>33.97</b>

**WAYSIDE SUB SCHEME CIRCUIT****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
1.	Wayside	(2018-19)	Development of Wayside Amenities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar at Varanasi-Gaya; Lucknow-Ayodhya- Lucknow; Gorakhpur-Kushinagar; Kushinagar-Gaya- Kushinagar in collaboration with MoRTH	15.07

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