

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.165  
ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024**

**SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME 2.0 IN KARNATAKA**

**165 DR. K SUDHAKAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any new recommendations from the State of Karnataka regarding Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has proposed any tourism projects under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 or any other schemes for Chikkaballapur, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of steps and procedures required for submission of proposals under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 and the criteria of evaluation of the proposals;**
- (d) whether the Government conducts State-wise evaluation of Tourism departments across the country, if so, the details regarding the performance of Karnataka State in comparison to other States; and**
- (e) the details of projects approved for tourism development in the State of Karnataka under various schemes of the Government?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

**(a) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism has recently revamped the scheme of Swadesh Darshan as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations in the country. Under this scheme, the Ministry of Tourism has identified 'Hampi' and 'Mysuru' in Karnataka as destinations and has sanctioned the following projects under SD2.0 in Karnataka:-**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Sanctioned Cost (Rs. In Crore)</b>
<b>Hampi</b>	<b>Setting up of Travellers Nook</b>	<b>26.30</b>
<b>Mysuru</b>	<b>Tonga Ride Heritage Experience</b>	<b>4.12</b>
<b>Mysuru</b>	<b>Ecological Experience Zone</b>	<b>18.36</b>

**In addition, the Ministry of Tourism also provides financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations under ‘Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)’ with the aim to create pilgrimage/spiritual tourism infrastructure at the identified destinations and has sanctioned the project ‘Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Chamundeshwari Devi Temple’ in 2023-24 for Rs.45.71 Crore in the State of Karnataka.**

**The Ministry of Tourism encourages State Governments/UT Administrations of the country to promote their tourism destinations/products, undertake sustainable tourism development, focus on Public Private Partnership (PPP) and operation and maintenance of the assets created under various schemes etc. In addition, Ministry of Tourism also monitors progress of the projects sanctioned under its schemes in different States/UTs of country including Karnataka from time to time.**

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