

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†188
ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024**

CONNECTING RAMTEK TO RAMAYAN CIRCUIT

†188 SHRI SHYAMKUMAR DAULAT BARVE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds for infrastructural development at Ambhora, Ramtek and Adasa pilgrimage sites in Ramtek Lok Sabha constituency to attract tourists;**
- (b) whether the Government is aware that Ramtek is famous for Lord Rama as Lord Rama stayed here and also known as Prayag of Maharashtra State;**
- (c) if so, whether the Government proposes to connect Ramtek with the Ramayana Circuit; and**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide ropeway between Buddhist pilgrimage site called Nagarjuna and an ancient temple of Lord Shiva which is the center of attraction for Ramtek darshan in Ramtek Lok Sabha Constituency?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (b): Ministry of Tourism, through its central sector schemes of 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive' (PRASHAD) and 'Swadesh Darshan' supports tourism infrastructure development by providing financial assistance to State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.

Ministry has sanctioned a project named 'Development of Trimbakeshwar' at the cost of Rs.42.18 Crore and 3 sites named 'Shri Ghrushneshwar Shivalaya, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar District', 'Tuljapur, Dharashiv District' and 'Shre Kshetra Rajur, Ganpati Temple, Jalna District' are identified under its PRASHAD Scheme.

Moreover, under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme, Ministry has sanctioned a total of 2 projects named Development of 'Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit - Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Mitbhav' and 'Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha-Telankhandi- Girad' at the cost of Rs.19.06 Crore and Rs.45.47 Crore respectively and 1 project named 'Shivrushti Historical Theme Park-Phase 3' is sanctioned at the cost of Rs.76.22 Crore under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme in Maharashtra. Furthermore, one destination named 'Ahmednagar' is identified under Challenge Based Destination Development, a sub-scheme of Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme in Maharashtra.

(c) to (d): No such proposal is under consideration of this Ministry.
