GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2161 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024

AGRI-TOURISM PROMOTION

2161. SHRI VISHALDADA PRAKASHBAPU PATIL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of major tourism projects at Sangli Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) whether the Government has any schemes to promote agri-tourism in the country, if so, the details thereof along with the action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether Sangli is being considered as an agri-tourism cluster, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the complete details of the new projects of the Government for Maharashtra State; and
- (e) the details of the steps being taken by the Government to develop a sustainable tourism model across the country so that tourist places remain clean and tourist friendly?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): While development of tourism destinations is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Government/UT Administration, the Ministry of Tourism under the schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan', 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' and 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' provides financial assistance to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/Central Agencies for the development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities at various tourism destinations in the country.

The Ministry of Tourism has recently revamped the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD 2.0) with the objective to develop

sustainable and responsible tourism destinations, following a destination & tourism centric approach.

Government of India has also sanctioned tourism projects in the State of Maharashtra under the 'Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2024-25' (SASCI).

The details of projects sanctioned under the above-mentioned schemes in the State of Maharashtra are given at Annexure-I.

Proposals are received from States/UTs from time to time for seeking financial assistance under the various schemes of the Ministry of Tourism. These proposals are sanctioned subject to fulfilment of the stipulated provisions and availability of funds.

Ministry of Tourism promotes India in a holistic manner. As part of its ongoing activities, it releases global print, electronic and online media campaigns in important and potential markets overseas, to promote various tourism destinations and products of the country including Rural Tourism which encompasses agri-tourism.

Ministry of Tourism has formulated National Strategy and Roadmap for Development of Rural Tourism in India- An initiative towards Atmanirbhar Bharat and National Strategy for Sustainable Tourism.

Details of projects sanctioned for tourism infrastructure development under Rural Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan scheme are at Annexure-II.

The Ministry of Tourism has conducted two editions of the Best Tourism Villages competition to honour villages that best exemplifies a tourism destination that preserves and promotes community-based values, goods, and lifestyles, and has a clear commitment to sustainability with the overarching goal of making tourism one of the drivers of positive change.

Ministry of Tourism, launched the 'Travel for LiFE', a sectoral program under Mission Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE). The objective of Travel for LiFE is to promote mainstreaming of sustainability in the tourism sector, create awareness and nudge tourists and tourism businesses to adopt sustainable practices synchronous with nature.

STATEMENT IN REPLY OF PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2161 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024 REGARDING AGRI-TOURISM PROMOTION BY SHRI VISHALDADA PRAKASHBAPU PATIL

Details of Projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme

| S. No. | Circuit / Sanction Year | Name of the Project | Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Crore) |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| 1. | Coastal Circuit 2015-16 | Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit - Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Mitbhav | 19.06 |
| 2. | Spiritual Circuit 2018-19 | Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Telankhandi- Girad | 45.47 |

Details of Projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme

| S. No. | Destination | Name of the Experience | Sanctioned Cost (Rs. in Crore) | Date of Sanction |
|-----------|-------------|---|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Pune | Shivsrushti Historical Theme Park- Phase 3 | 76.22 | 21-09-2024 |

Details of Projects sanctioned under PRASHAD Scheme

| S. | Project Name | Sanction Year | Approved Cost |
|-----|-------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| No. | | | (Rs. in Crore) |
| 1. | Development of Trimbakeshwar | 2017-18 | 42.18 |
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Details of Projects Sanctioned under the Scheme Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development

| S. No | Year | Name of Project | Agency | Amount sanctioned (Rs. in Lakh) |
|----------|---------|--|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | 2016-17 | Central Financial Assistance to Mumbai Port Trust for Development of KanojiAngre Lighthouse as a tourist Destination | Mumbai Port trust | 1500.00 |
| 2. | 2016-17 | Joint Development of Nanded Railway Station | M/o Railways | 518.00 |
| 3. | 2017-18 | Up- gradation/modernization to International Cruise terminal at Indira Dock, Mumbai. | Mumbai Port Trust | 1250.00 |
| 4. | 2017-18 | Joint Development of Aurangabad Railway Station | M/o Railways | 571.00 |
| 5. | 2021-22 | Upgradation/Modernization to International Cruise Terminal at Indira Dock, Mumbai Port Trust | Mumbai Port Trust | 3750.00 |

Details of Projects sanctioned under SASCI Scheme

| S. No. | Project Name | Approved Cost (Rs. in Crore) |
|-----------|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. | Ex-INS Guldar Underwater Museum, Artificial Reef, and Submarine Tourism, Sindhudurg | 46.91 |
| 2. | Development of "RAM-KAL PATH" at Nashik | 99.14 |

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Details of project sanctioned under the Rural Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme in the country

| S. No. | Name of State | Project Name | Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in Crore) |
|-----------|---------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1. | Bihar | Development of Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia | 44.27 |
| 2. | Kerala | Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project | 57.35 |
