GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2296 ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024

FUNDS FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AT NANDED AND SHIRDI

†2296. SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated any funds for the development of tourism at the religious place situated in Nanded city of Maharashtra till date;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds for the development of tourism at the world famous religious place Shirdi also;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism under the "Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive" (PRASHAD) provides financial assistance to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism infrastructure at important pilgrimage and heritage destinations.

The projects under the PRASHAD scheme are undertaken in consultation with the concerned State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for development of tourist facilities and subject to project alignment with the scheme guidelines, availability of funds etc.

However, there is no sanctioned project in Nanded city of Maharashtra or Shirdi, under PRASHAD Scheme. However, one project "Development of Trimbakeshwar" is sanctioned under the PRASHAD scheme at a cost of Rs.42.18 crore in Maharashtra.

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