

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1623
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025**

**INCLUSION OF SHRI RAMESHWAR DEVASTHAN
OF DHANDARPHAL IN RAMAYANA CIRCUIT**

†1623.SHRI BHAUSAHEB RAJARAM WAKCHAURE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include Shri Rameshwar Devasthan established by Prabhu Shri Ram in village Dhandarphal, Tehsil Sangamner, district Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra, an ancient pilgrimage place in Ramayana circuit/PRASAD yojana in view of its religious importance;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (c): 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 identified pilgrimage destinations.

Receiving proposals from the State Governments/UT Administrations for financial assistance for tourism projects is a continuous process. The proposals received are examined with reference to the prescribed guidelines and financial assistance is extended for such projects subject to fulfilment of the stipulated conditions and availability of funds.

No proposal is under consideration of the Ministry to include Shri Rameshwar Devasthan, established by Prabhu Shri Ram in village Dhandarphal, Tehsil Sangamner, district Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra, under the PRASHAD Scheme. However, the Ministry has sanctioned a project ‘Development of Trimbakeshwar’ under the PRASHAD scheme in Maharashtra and has identified three projects for development under the PRASHAD Scheme viz. Shri Ghrushneshwar Shivalaya, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar District; Tuljapur, Dharashiv District and Shre Kshetra Rajur, Ganpati Temple, Jalna District.
