GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1769 ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025

DEVELOPMENT OF SINGHESHWAR DHAM PILGRIMAGE SITE

†1769. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds for the development of infrastructure at Singheshwar Dham pilgrimage site in Madhepura district of Supaul Lok Sabha constituency to attract tourists in view of its religious importance;
- (b) whether Singheshwar Dham and Baba Vishu Raut Mela has got the status of State Fair as the Shivling of this temple is also known as 'Kamna Linga' and Shringi Rishi had built seven Havan Kunds there which still exist; and
- (c) if so, whether the Government also proposes to connect Singheshwar Dham with religious corridor and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism through its ongoing schemes of 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)', 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' complements the efforts of the State Governments (SGs)/UT Administrations (UTs) by extending financial assistance to SGs/UTs/Central Agencies for tourism infrastructure development including the State of Bihar.

The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has not designated Singheshwar Dham and Baba Vishu Raut Mela as State fairs. However, the Ministry of Tourism extends financial support to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations under the Domestic Publicity and Promotion including Hospitality Scheme for organizing fairs/festivals/tourism related events.

No proposal is under consideration of the Ministry for the development of infrastructure at Singheshwar Dham pilgrimage site in Madhepura district of Supaul Lok Sabha constituency and connecting Singheshwar Dham with religious corridor. However, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned various projects in Bihar under different infrastructure development schemes details of which are in given in the annexure.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1769 ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF SINGHESHWAR DHAM PILGRIMAGE SITE RAISED BY SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT

The details of Projects sanctioned under PRASHAD Scheme in Bihar

(Rs. in Crore)

Sr.	Name of the Project	Sanctioned
No.		Cost
1.	Development at Patna Sahib	29.62
2.	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple	3.63

The details of the sites identified under PRASHAD Scheme in Bihar

Sr. No.	Site/Project	
1.	Simariya Ghat, Begusarai District	
2.	Aami Mandir, Saran District	

The details of Projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Bihar

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Sr. No.	Circuit / Year	Name of the Project	Sanctioned Cost (Rs. in Crore)
1.	Tirthankar Circuit 2016-17	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri	33.96
2.	Spiritual Circuit 2016-17	Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj – Dharmshala- Deoghar	44.76
3.	Buddhist Circuit 2016-17	Development of Buddhist circuit- Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	95.18
4.	Rural Circuit 2017-18	Development of Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.27
5.	Spiritual Circuit 2017-18	Development of Mandar Hill &Ang Pradesh	44.55

The details of destinations identified under Swadesh Darshan 2.0. Scheme in Bihar

Sr. No.	Destination selected/Identified
1.	Gaya, Nalanda

List of the projects sanctioned under SASCI in Bihar is appended below:

Sr.No.	Project Name	Sanctioned Cost
		(Rs. in Crore)
1.	Development of Matsyagandha Lake in Saharsa	97.61
2.	Karamchat Eco-Tourism and Adventure Hub in	49.51
	Karamchat	

List of Projects Sanctioned under the Scheme of Assistance to Central Agencies in Bihar

Sr.	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
No.		(Rs. in Crore)
1.	3D Mapping with Aqua Screen Projection and	5.99
	Sound Show at Buxar, Bihar and Dynamic	
	Lighting & Motif at Ram Rekha Ghat, Bihar	
2.	Gaya Railway Station	5.18
