

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1817
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025**

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN JAJPUR DISTRICT, ODISHA

1817. DR. RABINDRA NARAYAN BEHERA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for tourism development in the Jajpur District in National scenario considering its religious places, natural resources, hills, rivers, presence of steel and industrial hub; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the developed tourism sector in Utkal Odisha?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (b): Development of tourism is undertaken by the concerned State Government/UT Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism through its 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' schemes complement these efforts by providing financial assistance to them for undertaking tourism related projects in order to develop tourism amenities. Such financial assistance under the relevant schemes is provided on receipt of the project proposals from the concerned State Government/UT Administration and subject to its adherence to the scheme guidelines and instructions issued by the Government from time to time, availability of budget, inter-se priority etc.

The details of projects sanctioned under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' schemes in the State of Odisha are as under:

(Amount in ₹Crore)

S. No.	Schemes	Year of sanction	Name of the project	Sanctioned Amount
1.	Swadesh Darshan	2015-16	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara	70.82
2.	PRASHAD	2014-15	Infrastructure Development at Puri	50.00

Further, Government of India under its 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) – Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale' sanctioned 40 projects in 23 States of the country for ₹3295.76 Crore including two projects in the State of Odisha, in Financial Year 2024-25, the details of which is as under:

S. No.	Project Name	Approved Cost (in ₹ Crore)
1	Development of Hirakund	99.90
2	Development of Satkosia	99.99

The State Government of Odisha has not submitted any project proposal under Swadesh Darshan, PRASHAD and SASCI Schemes for the Jajpur District as per the prescribed template.
