

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.+3906
ANSWERED ON 24.03.2025**

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST PLACES OF UTTARAKHAND

†3906. SHRI AJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has worked out any plan to promote tourism in the naturally beautiful Uttarakhand region;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any financial assistance has been provided for the development and conservation of tourist places in Uttarakhand;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the details of the plans worked out for enhancing facilities at tourist places in said region?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and products is undertaken by the respective State Government/UT Administration. The Ministry of Tourism complements the efforts of States/UTs by developing and promoting various tourism products of the country, including in Uttarakhand.

The Ministry of Tourism through its central sector schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan (SD)', and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' complements the efforts of tourism infrastructure development in the country by extending financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations including the State of Uttarakhand.

Ministry of Tourism has 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 & tourist-centric approach.

The scheme guidelines inter-alia provides for development of Tourist Facilitation Centre, tourist Information Centre, log huts, Amphitheatre, Foot-over Bridges, Signages, CCTVs, last mile road connectivity, façade illumination, basic amenities such as Toilets, dustbins, drinking water facilities, drainage & waste management facilities and other site development works such as benches, landscaping, flooring, railings etc. at tourist destinations.

The Government of India under the guidelines for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) for Development of Iconic Tourist Centres has approved a project in Uttarakhand.

Ministry of Tourism has also been providing financial assistance to State Governments/UT Administrations for organizing fairs/festivals and tourism related events under its Domestic Promotion & Publicity including Hospitality (DPPH) Scheme.

Details of funds sanctioned for the State of Uttarakhand under the aforesaid schemes of Ministry of Tourism are 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 extended for projects subject to fulfilment of the stipulated provisions and availability of funds.

Further, as conveyed by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), there are 44 protected monuments/sites under the jurisdiction of ASI and their conservation is taken up as per need and availability of resources. The detail of funds allocated and expenditure incurred for the conservation, maintenance and development of protected monuments/sites during Financial Year 2023-24 are at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†3906 ANSWERED ON 24.03.2025 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST PLACES OF UTTARAKHAND RAISED BY SHRI AJAY BHATT****List of sanctioned projects under Swadesh Darshan Scheme for the state of Uttarakhand**

S. No.	Circuit / Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned in ₹ Crore	Amount Released /Authorized* in ₹ Crore
1.	Eco Circuit 2015-16	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism, Adventure Sports, and Associated Tourism Related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination-District Tehri	69.17	69.17
2.	Heritage Circuit 2016-17	Integrated Development of Heritage Circuit in Kumaon Region - Katarmal -Jogeshwar-Baijnath-Devidhura	76.32	68.91

*** Includes amount of authorization to CNA through TSA Model I for Central Sector Scheme.**

List of sanctioned projects under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 for the state of Uttarakhand

S. No.	Destination	Name of the Experience	Sanctioned Cost (₹ Crore)	Date of Sanction
1	Pithoragarh	Rural Tourism Cluster Experience at Gunji	32.20	05-03-2024
2	Champawat	Tea Garden Experience	11.21	05-03-2024

List of sanctioned projects under PRASHAD for the state of Uttarakhand

S. No.	Project Name	Sanction Year	Approved Cost (₹ Crore)	Amount Released (₹ Crore)
1	Integrated Development of Kedarnath	2015-16	34.77	34.77

2	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham	2018-19	56.15	38.38
3	Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities at Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham	2021-22	54.36	10.22

List of sanctioned projects under special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI Scheme) - Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale for the state of Uttarakhand:

S. No.	Name of the Project	Sanctioned Cost (₹ Crore)	Amount Released (₹ Crore)
1	Iconic City Rishikesh: Rafting Base Station in Rishikesh	100.00	66.00

Details of fairs and festivals and events supported under Domestic Promotion and Publicity scheme in the state of Uttarakhand

Name of state	Year	Name of Fairs & Festivals	Amount sanctioned (₹ Lakh)	Amount released (₹ Lakh)
Uttarakhand	2022-23	International Yoga Festival	25.00	25.00
	2023-24	International Yoga Festival	25.00	25.00

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†3906 ANSWERED ON 24.03.2025 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST PLACES OF UTTARAKHAND RAISED BY SHRI AJAY BHATT

The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred for the conservation, maintenance and development of protected monuments/sites in Uttarakhand in the last financial year i.e. 2023-24

Sl. No.	Name of Monuments		2023-2024		Item of works carried out
			Budget Allotment (in Rs.)	Expenditure (in Rs.)	
1	Jageshwar temple	Known as Group of temples at Jageshwar, Almora (Six protected temples with other miniature shrines included in this group)	3028105	3028105	1. Routine maintenance & upkeep of the monuments. 2. Arrear payment of the work completed in Fy. 2022--23 which include following works 3. Repairing of Stone Flooring and restoration of wooden canopy with copper sheet. 4. Providing Stone bench and dustbin.
2	Mritunjaya temple				
3	Nanda Devi or Nau-Durga				
4	Nava Graha shrine				
5	Pyramidal shrine				
6	Shrine dedicated to Surya				
7	Shiva temple at Lakhamandal, Dehradun		1118976	1118976	1. Routine maintenance & upkeep of the monuments. 2. Arrear payment of the work completed in Fy. 20223-23 which include following works 3. Providing approach pathway

					and retaining wall.
8	Group of temple, Adibadri, Distt.- Chamoli		9386854	9386854	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward. 2. Repairing of Old Building and structure surround the monument campus.
9	Rudranath (Gopinath) Temple Gopeshwar, Distt.- Chamoli.		987694	987694	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Routine maintenance and upkeep of the monument. 2. Arrear payment of the work completed in Fy. 2022-23 which include following works 3. Restoration of wooden canopy with cooper sheet of main temple. 4. Providing and laying sand stone flooring. 5. Restoration and repair of Bhogshala.
10	Trident Gopeshwar, Distt.- Chamoli				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.

11	Group of temple, Baijnath, Distt. - Bageshwar.		7078805	7078805	1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward. 2. Providing and fixing of sand stone for upgradation of pathway. 3. Providing and laying lime concrete and sand stone flooring in main temple complex.
12	Pandukeshwar Temple, Distt. - Chamoli.		409414	409414	1. Routine maintenance & upkeep of the monument. 2. Arrear payment of the work completed in Fy. 2022-23.
13	Badrinath group of temples	Group of temple at Dwarahat, Distt.- Almora (7 Group of temple/sites included)	370412	370412	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
14	Bandev temple		208340	208340	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
15	Gujardev temple		193430	193430	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.

16	Kachahri group of temple		371670	371670	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
17	Maniyan group of temples		339009	339009	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
18	Mritunjaya group of temples		361727	361727	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
19	Ratandev shrines		192824	192824	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
20	Mahasu Temple, Hanol, Distt. - Dehradun.		1117625	1117625	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
21	Excavated site Purola, Distt. - Uttarkashi.		802319	802319	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
22	Chandpur fort, Distt.- Chamoli		1651607	1651607	1. Routine maintenance & upkeep of the monument. 2. Scientific clearness work of buried structure. 3. Restoration of

				<p>cells and structures with lime mortar with RR masonry.</p> <p>4. Providing and laying concrete for proper base and sand stone flooring.</p>
23	<p>Excavated site, Govishana mound, Dronasagar, Kashipur, Distt.- U. S. Nagar</p>	8807336	8807336	<p>1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.</p> <p>2. Scientific clearness work of ancient mound.</p> <p>3. Restoration and conservation work at excavated site with ancient brick with lime mortar masonry.</p> <p>4. Providing and laying lime concrete with original matching and culture notice board</p>
24	<p>Sun temple, Katarmal, Distt.- Almora</p>	562450	562450	<p>1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.</p>
25	<p>Old Cemetery, Roorkee, Haridwar</p>	4483550	4483550	<p>1. Routine maintenance and upkeep of the monument.</p> <p>2. Jungle Clearness and earth work consolidate of base with lime</p>

				<p>concrete and paved with brick masonry and recess pointing etc.</p> <p>3. Routing maintenance of the Garden.</p>
26	Asoka Rock Edict, Kalsi, Dehradun	1227185	1227185	<p>1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.</p> <p>2. Providing and laying lime concrete base and stone flooring etc.</p> <p>3. Providing and fixing sand stone bench and dustbin.</p> <p>4. Lime plaster of around the main monument wall and domes.</p> <p>5. Providing and fixing sand stone Chhajja stone as per original matching.</p> <p>6. Routing maintenance of the Garden.</p>
27	Group of temples, Tallihat, Bageshwar	595253	595253	<p>Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.</p>
28	Dandeshwar temple, Jageshwar- Distt.- Almora	551583	551583	<p>Routine maintenance, upkeep, general</p>

					clearance and regular watch and ward.
29	Kalinga Monument, Distt.- Dehradun		2777704	2777704	1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward. 2. Construction of Display Hall for display of war memorial history etc. work. 3. Routing maintenance of the Garden.
30	Excavated Site, Rishikesh, Distt.- Dehradun		562584	562584	Routine maintenance and upkeep of the monument.
31	Excavated Site, Jagatgram , Distt.- Dehradun		1126123	1126123	1. Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward., 2. Routing maintenance of the Garden.
32	Kuber temple, Jageshwar, Distt.- Almora	2 protected temple included	722534	722534	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
33	Chandika, temple, Jageshwar Distt.- Almora				Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
34	Baleshwar group of temple,	2 protected sites	485426	485426	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general

	Distt.- Champavat	included			clearance and regular watch and ward.
35	Naula attached to Baleshwar temple, Distt.- Champavat				Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
36	Kotwali Chabutra, Distt.- Champavat		231436	231436	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
37	Remains of ancient buildings, Distt.- Nainital	ancient Dhikuli,	2438150	2438150	-
38	Sitabani Ramnagar, Nainital	temple Distt.-	2438150	2438150	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward through regular staff. 1. Upgradation of ramps with cobbal stone for easy approaching the monument complex. 2. Providing and laying base concrete and sand stone flooring in the monument campus and upgradation solar light etc.
39	Rock Mandal, Distt.- Chamoli	Inscription,	264831	264831	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general

				clearance and regular watch and ward.
40	Cave Temple Patal Bhuvneshwar, Distt.- Pithoragarh	180236	180236	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
41	Temples at Gangolihat, Distt.- Pithoragarh	152318	152318	Routine maintenance, upkeep, general clearance and regular watch and ward.
42	Vishnu Temple, Kotli, Bankot, Distt.- Pithoragarh	423683	423683	Routine maintenance and upkeep of the monument. 1. Construction of boundary wall with M.S. Grill for safety of the monument and repair of sand stone flooring etc.
43	Ancient Naula Syunrakot District Almora	98707	98707	
	TOTAL	54250000	54250000	
