

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.\*359  
ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025**

**DEVELOPMENT OF ECO-TOURISM AND TEMPLE TOURISM IN TELANGANA**

**\*359. SHRI BALRAM NAIK PORIKA:**

**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the initiatives taken by the Government to promote eco-tourism and temple tourism in Telangana along with specific programmes, fund allocations and infrastructure development projects;**
- (b) whether any tourism circuits in Telangana have been identified or developed under the Swadesh Darshan/Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) schemes to promote eco-tourism and temple tourism;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with their locations, key attractions and current status of development; and**
- (d) the details of additional measures planned to enhance eco-tourism and temple tourism in Telangana?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

**(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*359 ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF ECO-TOURISM AND TEMPLE TOURISM IN TELANGANA RAISED BY SHRI BALRAM NAIK PORIKA**

**(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and products, including eco-tourism and temple tourism is undertaken by the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry complements the efforts of States/UTs by developing and promoting various tourism products of the country through various schemes and initiatives, including the State of Telangana.**

**The Ministry of Tourism through its ongoing schemes of 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)', and Swadesh Darshan (SD), revamped scheme of Swadesh Darshan 2.0 and Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD) have sanctioned various infrastructure development projects in Telangana for enhancing eco-tourism and temple tourism, the details of which are given in the Annexure.**

**In addition, Government of India has sanctioned 2 projects to promote spiritual tourism namely 'Ramappa Region Sustainable Tourism Circuit in Ramappa' for Rs.73.74 Crore and 'Somasilla Wellness & Spiritual Retreat in Nallamala' for Rs.68.10 Crore in State of Telangana under the 'Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2024-25' (SASCI).**

**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.**

**Also, the Ministry of Tourism as part of its ongoing endeavour promotes various tourism destinations and products of the country including Eco-Tourism and Temple Tourism in Telangana through promotional activities such as events, website, social media promotions, fairs and festivals, etc.**

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**ANNEXURE**

**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*359 ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF ECO-TOURISM AND TEMPLE TOURISM IN TELANGANA RAISED BY SHRI BALRAM NAIK PORIKA**

**List of Religious Projects under various schemes in Telangana**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Sanction Year</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Sanctioned amount (Rs. in Crore)</b>	<b>Released amount (Rs. in Crore)</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>PRASHAD</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur</b>	<b>38.90</b>	<b>33.07</b>	<b>Physically Completed</b>
<b>2</b>		<b>2022-23</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism Infrastructure at Rudreshwara (Ramappa) Temple, Mulugu</b>	<b>62.00</b>	<b>32.73</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>3</b>		<b>2022-23</b>	<b>Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure at Bhadrachalam, Bhadradi, Kothagudem District</b>	<b>41.38</b>	<b>8.43</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>2024-25</b>	<b>Development at Goddess Renuka Yellamma Devasthanam, Balkampet, Hyderabad</b>	<b>4.22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>CBDD</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>Digital Experience Centre at Bhuddhavanam in Nalgonda</b>	<b>24.84</b>	<b>2.48</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>Total</b>				<b>171.34</b>	<b>76.71</b>	

**List of Eco-Tourism projects under various Schemes in Telangana:****(Rs. in Crore)**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Sanction Year</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Swadesh Darshan (SD)</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district</b>	<b>91.62</b>	<b>91.25</b>	<b>Physically Completed</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>SD 2.0</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>Destination- Ananathagiri</b>  <b>Name of Experience: Eco tourism zone at Ananathgiri forest</b>	<b>38.00</b>	<b>3.80</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>CBDD</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>Development of Eco-Tourism Proiect at Nizam Sagar, Kamareddy</b>	<b>9.97</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>
<b>Total</b>				<b>139.59</b>	<b>96.04</b>	

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