GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2338 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR TOURISM SECTOR OF MAHARASHTRA

†2338. SHRI BALYA MAMA SURESH GOPINATH MHATRE:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds allocated to Maharashtra for tourism sector by the Government during the last five years and the places where these funds were utilized along with the type of work which was undertaken there;
- (b) the reasons for delay in release of funds for these tourism projects, if any;
- (c) the name of the districts of Maharashtra where the funds were provided under the Central sector schemes; and
- (d) the details of the targets fixed and the achievements made so far in respect of restoration of religious places in order to promote tourism in various States of the country including Maharashtra?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and tourism products is primarily undertaken by the respective State Government/ Union Territory (UT) Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism through its central sector schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan(SD)', Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0)', 'Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD)' a sub-scheme of Swadesh Darshan and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' and 'Assistance to **Central Agencies(ACA) for Tourism Infrastructure Development' schemes** complements the efforts of tourism infrastructure development by the extending financial assistance State **Governments/UT** Administrations; subject to availability of funds, adherence to scheme guidelines, submission of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) by the State Government etc.

In addition, Government of India under its initiative for 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI)' has also provided financial assistance to the States for development of tourism projects.

The Ministry does not release or maintain district-wise release of funds in respect of the projects sanctioned under aforesaid schemes. However, the details of the projects sanctioned in the state of Maharashtra under aforesaid schemes in last five years, along with the sanctioned and released amounts, is annexed. As part of these projects, the components related to tourist amenities and enhancement of tourism experiences are sanctioned.

Release of funds under the schemes is undertaken in instalments as per the guidelines and instructions issued in this regard from time to time and receipt of Utilization Certificates from the State Governments/ UTAs for the funds earlier released.

Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) takes up conservation and maintenance work of protected monuments and sites including provision of amenities like drinking water, toilet blocks, pathways and landscaping etc., throughout the country. Conservation and maintenance of monuments and archaeological sites is a continuous process and is taken up as per the need of monuments and availability of resources. However, funds are allocated as per the need of monuments.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2338 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025 REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR TOURISM SECTOR OF MAHARASHTRA RAISED BY SHRI BALYA MAMA SURESH GOPINATH MHATRE

Details of Project sanctioned in last five years under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme in the State of Maharashtra:

(Amount in ₹Crore)

S. No.	Year of Sanction	Destination	Name of the Experience	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Authorized for utilization by State Implementing Agency
1	2023-24	Pune	Shivsrushti Historical Theme Park- Phase 3	76.22	7.62

Details of Project sanctioned in last five years under Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD) Scheme in the State of Maharashtra:

(Amount in ₹Crore)

S. No.	Year of Sanction	Name of the Project	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Authorized for utilization by State Implementing Agency	
1	2024-25	Development of Ahmednagar Fort	25.00	2.50	

Details of Projects sanctioned in last five years under Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) Scheme in the State of Maharashtra:

(Amount in ₹Crore)

S. No.	Year of Sanction	Name of the Project	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Released for Utilization
1	2024-25	INS-Guldar Underwater Museum, Artificial Reef, and submarine Tourism in	46.91	30.96

		Sindhudurg		
2	2024-25	Development of RAM-KAL PATH	99.14	65.43
		in Nashik		

Details of Projects sanctioned in last five years under the Scheme Assistance to Central Agencies in the State of Maharashtra is as under:

(Amount in ₹Lakh)

S. No.	Name of Project	Agency	Sanction Date	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Released / Authorized	Amount Utilized
1.	Upgradation.Mo dernization to International Cruise Terminal at Indira Dock, Mumbai Port Trust	Mumbai Port Trust	20-12- 2021	3750	3000	3000
