GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3468 ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025

SDS UNDER PRADHAN MANTRI JANJATIYA UNNAT GRAM ABHIYAN

3468. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

SHRI VISHWESHWAR HEGDE KAGERI:

SHRI CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ:

SHRI BHOJRAJ NAG:

SHRI MUKESH RAJPUT:

SHRI P P CHAUDHARY:

SMT. HIMADRI SINGH:

DR. RAJESH MISHRA:

SHRI CHHATRAPAL SINGH GANGWAR:

SHRI GODAM NAGESH:

SHRI NABA CHARAN MAJHI:

SHRI SUKANTA KUMAR PANIGRAHI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as part of the Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan, including its objectives and implementation progress;
- (b) the details of the total number of homestays constructed/renovated under the scheme, State/UT-wise including district-wise in Shahdol, Sidhi, Pali and Kandhmal Lok Sabha Constituencies;
- (c) the details of the number of domestic and international tourists availed of these homestay facilities across the country including the said constituencies since the inception of the scheme;
- (d) whether any homestays have been developed in tribal-dominated regions of Andhra Pradesh, such as Alluri Sitarama Raju or Parvathipuram Manyam districts; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the tourist footfall recorded, district-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): With the aim to promote tourism in tribal areas, the Ministry of Tourism has issued guidelines along with template for formulation of

proposals by State Governments and UT Administrations for 'Development of Homestays in Tribal Areas' under Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan (PM-JUGA).

The objective of the initiative is to develop homestays in tribal areas to promote responsible tourism and enhance livelihood opportunities for tribal communities. The guidelines also focus on technical upskilling and training of the Homestay owners.

No funds has been released under the scheme so far.
