

Ministry of Tourism



Redevelopment of Temple Corridors and Pilgrimage Sites

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The Ministry of Tourism, through its ongoing schemes of Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and Swadesh Darshan, complements the efforts of the State Governments (SGs) and UT Administrations (UTs) by extending financial assistance to SGs/UTs for the development of tourism-related infrastructure across the country including major pilgrimage sites and temple corridors.

During the year 2025, various projects for the development of pilgrimage destinations have been sanctioned under the above-mentioned schemes. The details of the funds sanctioned, released, utilised along with the present status of these projects in the country including Madhya Pradesh and Bihar are given in the Annexure.

Under the above-mentioned schemes, projects are formulated and implemented in accordance with the approved guidelines to ensure sustainable and responsible tourism. The Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) are prepared in consultations with the respective State Governments and UT Administrations, local bodies, and other stakeholders. The said consultations are undertaken to ensure that spiritual integrity and ingenuity of the sites are maintained while developing various amenities for improving overall pilgrim/tourist experience. The DPR submitted to the Ministry of Tourism also incorporates sustainable operation and maintenance plans for the proposed projects.

To address challenges such as overcrowding, environmental degradation, infrastructure strain in high-footfall pilgrimage sites and to improve pilgrimage experience, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned various interventions such as Queue management complex, Waiting halls, Widening of approach roads, CCTVs for pilgrim safety, Parking, Tourist Information Centre, last-mile connectivity, solid and pious waste management systems, illumination, sanitation, amenities centres, interpretation facilities, rainwater harvesting among others. Also, under the Central Sector Schemes of PRASHAD and Swadesh Darshan, the Ministry seeks to develop tourism infrastructure in a holistic and sustainable manner with the objective of boosting tourism, conserving local culture, generating employment and strengthening the local economy across the country.

This information was given by Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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| Sr. No. | State | Scheme | Project Name | Sanction Year | Sanction Cost (₹ Cr.) | Amount Authorised (₹ Cr.) | Amount Utilised (₹ Cr.) | Status |
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| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | CBDD | Enriching Buddhist Heritage and Cultural Experiences at Nagarjuna Sagar | March 2025 | 25.00 | 2.50 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 2 | Andhra Pradesh | CBDD | Development of Abhobilam as a Spiritual Odyssey | March 2025 | 24.99 | 2.50 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 3 | Bihar | SD 2.0 | Development of the Buddhist Meditation & Experience Centre, Bodh Gaya | March 2025 | 165.44 | 16.54 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 4 | Bihar | PRASHAD | Development of Ambika Bhawani Temple, Saran | March 2025 | 13.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 5 | Himachal Pradesh | SD 2.0 | Development of Maa Chintpurni Devi Temple, Una | July 2025 | 56.26 | 5.63 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 6 | Jharkhand | CBDD | Tourism Infrastructure Development at Ramrekha Dham | March 2025 | 18.87 | 1.87 | 0.00 | Ongoing |

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| 6 | Kerala | CBDD | Thalassery: The Sprititual Nexus | March 2025 | 25.00 | 2.50 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 7 | Karnataka | PRASHAD | Development of Renuka Yallama Devi temple | March 2025 | 18.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 8 | Karnataka | PRASHAD | Development of Basic Amenities at Papnash Temple, Bidar dist. | March 2025 | 22.25 | 6.30 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 9 | Madhya Pradesh | SD 2.0 | Development of Pitambara Peeth Datia | July 2025 | 44.24 | 4.42 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 10 | Madhya Pradesh | CBDD | Orchha A Medieval Splendour 2.0 | March 2025 | 25.00 | 2.50 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 11 | Meghalaya | CBDD | Nartiang Spiritual & Cultural Centre | March 2025 | 24.87 | 2.49 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 12 | Mizoram | PRASHAD | Development of Basic Amenities under PRASHAD scheme in Vangchhia, Champhai District | March 2025 | 5.47 | 1.56 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 13 | Nagaland | CBDD | Soulful Trails: The Impur Heritage Experience | March 2025 | 24.94 | 2.49 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 14 | Punjab | CBDD | Heritage Street -A Symbol of Peace and Harmony at Sri Anandpur Sahib | March 2025 | 24.90 | 2.49 | 0.00 | Ongoing |

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| 15 | Puducherry | PRASHAD | Development of Pilgrim Facilities & Tourist attractions for Sri Dharbaranyeswara Temple | March 2025 | 25.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 16 | Rajasthan | SD 2.0 | Development works at Shri Khatu Shyam Ji Temple (Sikar) | March 2025 | 87.87 | 8.79 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 17 | Rajasthan | SD 2.0 | Development Works at Shri Karnimatamandir, Bikaner | July 2025 | 22.58 | 2.26 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 18 | Rajasthan | SD 2.0 | Development of Malaseri Dungri, Bhilwara District | July 2025 | 48.73 | 4.87 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 19 | Sikkim | CBDD | Kabi Chronicles: A journey through Unity and Heritage | March 2025 | 24.96 | 2.50 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 20 | Tamil Nadu | CBDD | Iconic transformation of Rameswaram | March 2025 | 20.01 | 2.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 21 | Tamil Nadu | PRASHAD | Development of 8 Navagraha Temples | March 2025 | 40.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
| 22 | Telangana | PRASHAD | Development of Basic Amenities at goddess Renuka Yellama Devasthanam | March 2025 | 4.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Ongoing |

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| 23 | Uttarakhand | CBDD | Development of Kainchi Dham Campus | March 2025 | 17.60 | 1.76 | 0.00 | Ongoing |
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