

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†3773  
ANSWERED ON 16.03.2026**

**DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN BUDAUN**

**†3773. SHRI ADITYA YADAV:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any initiative for the comprehensive development and promotion of tourism in Budaun district of Uttar Pradesh which attracts domestic and foreign tourists due to its historical monuments, cultural heritage and religious significance;**
- (b) if so, the details of the projects sanctioned under Central and State schemes;**
- (c) whether any infrastructure development efforts such as improvement in connectivity, accommodation and tourist amenities along with promotional activities including digital campaign and cultural events, implemented or planned by the Government to promote tourism and generate employment in the said district; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (d): Development of tourist destinations and tourism products is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Government (SG)/Union Territory Administration (UTA).**

**The Ministry of Tourism does not maintain the details of the projects sanctioned under State schemes. However, Ministry of Tourism under its various schemes such as 'Swadesh Darshan(SD)', 'Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0)'; 'Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD)', an initiative under Swadesh Darshan 2.0; and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' etc. provides financial assistance**

**for development of tourism infrastructure and experiences in the country to the SGs/UTAs, on receipt of the project proposals from them, in synergy with the scheme guidelines, Government directions, availability of funds, inter-se priority etc.**

**In addition, Government of India in 2024-25 sanctioned the project 'Development of Bateshwar in District Agra' for Rs.74.05 Crore and 'Integrated Buddhist Tourism Development in Shrawasti' for Rs.80.24 Crore in the State of Uttar Pradesh under the scheme 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) – Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale'.**

**A range of components which may enhance tourism facilitation at the destinations are considered for sanctioning, as per project requirement, under schemes of the Ministry of Tourism, including those related to tourism core products, tourism activities, safety, sanitation, connectivity, parking, general site development, soft interventions etc. Further, Ministry of Tourism holistically promotes various tourism destinations and products of the country including those in Uttar Pradesh through various promotional tools such as website, events, social media etc. The Ministry also encourages State Governments/UT Administrations to engage with local communities and ensure robust O&M of completed projects so as to increase footfall, generate local employment and enhance overall tourist satisfaction.**

**The details of the projects sanctioned under SD, SD2.0, CBDD and PRASHAD schemes in the state of Uttar Pradesh is annexed.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†3773 ANSWERED ON 16.03.2026 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN BUDAUN RAISED BY SHRI ADITYA YADAV**

The details of the projects sanctioned under SD, SD2.0, CBDD and PRASHAD schemes in the state of Uttar Pradesh:

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Name of the project</b>	<b>Year of Sanction/ Circuit</b>	<b>Sanction Amount (In Rs. crore)</b>
<b>SD</b>	<b>Development of Sravasti, Kushinagar, &amp;Kapilwastu</b>	<b>Buddhist Circuit 2016-17</b>	<b>87.89</b>
	<b>Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur</b>	<b>Ramayana Circuit 2016-17</b>	<b>69.45</b>
	<b>Development of Ahar-Aligarh-Kasganj-Sarosi (Unnao)-Pratapgarh- Kausambi-Mirzapur-Gorakhpur-Domariyaganj-Basti-Barabanki-Azamgarh-Kairana-Baghpat- Shahjahanpur</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit 2016-17</b>	<b>71.91</b>
	<b>Development of Bijnor- Meerut- Kanpur-Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur-Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria-Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli-Mishrikh- Bhadohi</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit 2016-17</b>	<b>67.51</b>
	<b>Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)-Maghar Dham (Sant Kabir Nagar)-Chauri Chaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- Mahuar shaheed Sthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)</b>	<b>Heritage Circuit 2016-17</b>	<b>36.65</b>

	<b>Development of Ayodhya</b>	<b>Ramayana Circuit 2017-18</b>	<b>127.21</b>
	<b>Development of Jewar-Dadri-Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit 2018-19</b>	<b>12.03</b>
	<b>Development of Gorakhnath Temple (Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple (Domariyagunj)</b>	<b>Spiritual Circuit 2018-19</b>	<b>18.30</b>
<b>Swadesh Darshan 2.0</b>	<b>Vedic- wellness Experience</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>17.80</b>
	<b>Azad Park and Dekho Prayagraj Trail Experience</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>14.52</b>
<b>CBDD</b>	<b>Development of Cultural Landscape at Mahoba</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>24.98</b>
<b>PRASHAD</b>	<b>Development of Varanasi – Phase –I</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>18.73</b>
	<b>Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>10.98</b>
	<b>River Cruise Tourism in Ganga, Varanasi</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>9.02</b>
	<b>Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>9.36</b>
	<b>Development of Varanasi – Phase –II</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>44.60</b>
	<b>Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>37.59</b>

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