

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4918  
ANSWERED ON 23.03.2026**

**DEVELOPMENT OF MICE FACILITY AT SCIENCE CITY, KOLKATA**

**4918. SHRI KARTICK CHANDRA PAUL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved the proposal to develop Eastern India's largest indoor MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions) facility at Science City, Kolkata;**
- (b) the details of estimated project cost, funding pattern and implementing agency for the proposed facility;**
- (c) the present status of planning, design finalisation, statutory approvals and tendering;**
- (d) the timeline for commencement of construction, completion and commissioning; and**
- (e) the details of projected capacity of the facility and its expected impact on Kolkata's MICE tourism, employment generation and international conference footfall?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and products, including MICE tourism, is primarily undertaken by the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration.**

**The Ministry of Tourism through its central sector schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan', 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' and 'Assistance to Central Agencies for Tourism Infrastructure Development' extends financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations for tourism infrastructure development in the country. The central financial assistance is being extended according to guidelines and based on proposals / detailed project reports received from the States and UT Governments. The list of Projects**

**sanctioned for development of Convention centres and associated infrastructure, is given at Annexure-I.**

**There is no proposal at present to develop Eastern India's largest indoor MICE facility at Science City, Kolkata. However, details of other projects sanctioned in West Bengal is given at Annexure-II.**

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**ANNEXURE-I****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4918 ANSWERED ON 23.03.2026 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF MICE FACILITY AT SCIENCE CITY, KOLKATA RAISED BY SHRI KARTICK CHANDRA PAUL**

**List of Projects sanctioned for development of Convention centers and associated infrastructure under the various schemes of the Ministry of Tourism:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/UTs</b>	<b>Central Government Scheme</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Cost (In Rs. Crore)</b>	<b>Sanctioned Year</b>	<b>Components</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>CBDD</b>	<b>Development of Mayali Bagicha as Eco Tourism Destination</b>	<b>9.97</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Convention Hall</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>SASCI</b>	<b>Siang Adventure &amp; Eco-Retreat, Pasighat</b>	<b>46.48</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>SASCI</b>	<b>Tented City and Convention Centre</b>	<b>51.56</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>SASCI</b>	<b>International Convention Centre for MICE</b>	<b>99.38</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>SD 2.0</b>	<b>Rejuvenation of Yadavindra Garden</b>	<b>65.82</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Lakshadweep</b>	<b>SD 2.0</b>	<b>Enhancement of Tourist Experience at Bangaram</b>	<b>81.18</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>Convention hall for MICE</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Development of Gwalior - Orchha - Khajuraho -</b>	<b>18.77</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>

			<b>Chanderi - Bhimbetka - Mandu</b>			
<b>8.</b>	<b>Jammu Kashmir</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg - Baramulla - Kupwara - Kargil - Leh</b>	<b>21.01</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Development of Jirigaon - Nafra - Seppa - Pappu - Pasa - Pakke Valleys - Lumdung - Lafang Sohung Lake - Taro Yar - New Sagalee - Ziro - Yomcha</b>	<b>4.028</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Goa</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Development of Coastal II: Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula - Colva - Benaullim</b>	<b>39.33</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Convention Center</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Integrated Development of New Eco Tourism under Swadesh Darshan- North East Circuit at Thenzawl &amp; South Zote, District Serchhip and</b>	<b>2.64</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>

			<b>Reiek, Mizoram.</b>			
<b>12.</b>	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>SD 1.0</b>	<b>Development of Kiarighat - Shimla - Hatkoti - Manali - Kangra - Dharamshala - Bir - Palampur - Chamba</b>	<b>17.265</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>ACA</b>	<b>Development of Convention Centre and associated Infrastructure at Aizawl.</b>	<b>39.94</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Convention Centre</b>

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**List of projects sanctioned in the State of West Bengal:**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>Sanction Cost (₹ Crore)</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>Swadesh Darshan 1.0</b>		
<b>i.</b>	<b>Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur-Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai- Henry Island (December 2015)</b>	<b>67.99</b>	<b>Physically Completed</b>
	<b>Total Sanction Cost</b>	<b>67.99</b>	
<b>B</b>	<b>PRASHAD</b>		
<b>i.</b>	<b>Development of Belur Math (Dec 2016)</b>	<b>30.03</b>	<b>Completed</b>
	<b>Total Sanction Cost</b>	<b>30.03</b>	
<b>C</b>	<b>Assistance to Central Agencies (ACA)</b>		
<b>i.</b>	<b>Development of 22 viewpoints in North Eastern State</b>	<b>3.70</b>	<b>Completed</b>
<b>ii.</b>	<b>Rampurhat Railway Station</b>	<b>3.48</b>	<b>Completed</b>
<b>iii.</b>	<b>Tarakeshwar Railway Station</b>	<b>3.87</b>	<b>Completed</b>
<b>iv.</b>	<b>New Jalpaiguri Railway Station</b>	<b>4.55</b>	<b>Foreclosed</b>
<b>v.</b>	<b>Development of Jetties at 9 main points of embarkation/disembarkation of River Cruize on` National Water ways No. 1 &amp; 2- Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and Assam</b>	<b>28.03</b>	<b>Foreclosed</b>
	<b>Total sanctioned cost</b>	<b>43.63</b>	
	<b>Total Central Assistance</b>	<b>141.65</b>	

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