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The following infrastructure projects have been sanctioned in Chhattisgarh in the 11 Plan so far by the Ministry of Tourism:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Amount sanctioned
2007-08		
1.	Destination Development of Ratanpur	249.57
2.	Destination Development of Dongargarh	316.97
3.	Tourist Circuit of Raipur-Mukthangan-Champaran-Kodhar	665.50
4.	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Odh District Raipur	42.0.5 (for hardware dev.) 20.00 (Capacity Building for Service Providers)
2008-09		
1.	Development of Jagdalpur-Chitrakote-Barsur-Dantewada-Tirathgarh Mega Circuit	1133.82

Shrabani Mela at Baidyanath temple

2982. SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the adobe of Baidyanath Jyotirlingam is a very ancient sacred place of worship in India, which is attracting lakhs of devotees/pilgrims from across the country;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether Government is considering recognizing Shrabani Mela held at Baba Baidyanath temple, Deoghar, Jharkhand during the month of Shrawan as a national event; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (d) Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India extends Central Financial Assistance for tourism projects including fairs/festivals and events based on the proposals received from them.

A proposal requesting for central grant for organizing festival Baba Baidyanath Vishwa Mahotsava has been received from the State Government of Jharkhand. Sanction of the project is subject to adherence to the scheme guidelines, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds.

Tourist spots in Haryana

†2983. SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the constructions and maintenance of existing tourist spots;
- (b) the details of the tourist spots developed and built in Haryana during the last five years, place-wise; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to make any special plan to boost the tourist spots in Haryana?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) Development and promotion of tourism and maintenance of tourist spots is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India extends Central Financial Assistance for tourism projects based on the proposals received from them complete in all respects as per the scheme guidelines, *inter-se* priority and subject to availability of funds.

The details of central financial assistance provided by the Ministry of Tourism for construction projects in Haryana during the last five years (2004-05 to 2008-09) is given in the Statement.

Statement

The list of construction projects for Tourism sanctioned to Haryana with Central Financial Assistance during the last five years (2004-05 to 2008-09)

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Name of the Project	Amount
1	2	3
2004-05	Construction of Multipurpose Hall at Kingfisher Tourist complex at Ambala	27.44
	Integrated Development of Surajkund as a Tourist Destination	81.37
	Preservation and Restoration of old Monuments at Yadavindra Gardens, Pinjore	403.69
	Government of India UNDP Endogenous Project at village Jyotisar, Kurukshetra	20.00
2005-06	Development of Karna Lake at Uchana	159.00
	Development of Tilyar Tourist Complex at Rohtak	441.00

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.