254	Written Answers to [RAJYA SABHA]	L	Instarred Questions
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3.	Development of Kaleshwaram as Tourist Destination, Karimnagar District in Andhra Pradesh	463.82	Under execution
4.	Development of Heritage Tourism Circuit in Anantapur District in Andhra Pradesh	484.01	Under execution
5.	Development of Heritage Tourism Circuit in Mahbubnagar District in Andhra Pradesh	799.89	Under execution
6.	Development of Buddhavanam Project at Nagarjunasagar as a Mega Destination in Andhra Pradesh	2224.23	Under execution
7.	Development of Beach Park at Kakinada, East Godavari District in Andhra Pradesh	450.74	Under execution
8.	Grant of Central Financial Assistance for organizing Kakatiya Festival at Warangal District from 24th to 30th November, 2012	25.00	Completed
9.	Development of Vishakapatnam – Bheemunipatnam Beach Corridor Mega Circuit in Andhra Pradesh.	4588.85	Sanctioned on 31.03.2013
	Total	10497.07	

Financial assistance under MDA to medical tourism service providers

4013. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry provides financial assistance under the Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme to approved medical tourism service providers;
 - (b) if so, the details of the scheme; and
 - (c) the amount of assistance provided to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Tourism provides financial support as per guidelines and availability of funds under the Market Development Assistance Scheme (MDA) to the following approved Medical Tourism Service Providers:—

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- 1. Representatives of Hospitals accredited by Joint Commission International (JCI) and the National Accreditation Board of Hospitals and Healthcare Services (NABH).
- 2. Medical Tourism facilitators (Travel Agents/Tour Operators) approved by Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.
- Under the Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme, financial support is provided to approved Medical Tourism Service Providers, i.e. representatives of Hospitals accredited by Joint Commission International Accredited Hospitals (JCI) and National Accreditation Board of Hospitals (NABH) and Medical Tourism facilitators (Travel Agents/Tour Operators) approved by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India subject to adherence to the scheme guidelines and availability of funds.

The Ministry of Tourism, inter-alia, promotes Medical Tourism along with various stakeholders by participating in various International Fairs/Events/Exhibitions and holding Road Shows, and developing publicity and promotional material.

Market Development Assistance for Wellness and Medical Tourism is provided only to eligible service providers and not to State Governments/UT Administrations.

Misbehaviour and sexual violence with foreign tourists

†4014. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that misbehaviour with foreign tourists have become (a) common and incidents of sexual violence have increased to a great extent over the recent years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons;
 - whether it is a fact that the Parliamentary Committee had recommended (c)

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.