

of pending utilization certificates, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports and adherence to the scheme guidelines.

Proposal from Rajasthan for upgradation of tourist sites

†1173. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Rajasthan has sent some proposals for upgradation of tourist sites, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether financial approval has been accorded to the proposals sent by Government of Rajasthan, if so, when such approval was given, if not, by when financial approval would be given?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) and (b) For development of tourism infrastructure in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has launched two new Schemes in 2014-15 *i.e.* Swadesh Darshan—Integrated Development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits and PRASAD—Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive.

The details of projects sanctioned to Rajasthan under the Schemes of Swadesh Darshan and PRASAD are as under:

(Amount in ₹ crore)			
Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year	Sanction Amount
Swadesh Darshan			
1.	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations in Jaipur District, Rajasthan under Desert Circuit	2015-16	63.96
PRASAD			
2.	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	40.44

Literacy rate among tribals

1174. SHRI NARENDRA BUDANIA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the literacy rate among tribals;

(b) whether 12th pass boys are only 5.7 per cent and 12th pass girls are only 2.7 per cent;

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(c) whether it is also a fact that only 2.2 per cent boys and 0.9 per cent girls are graduates, how do these compare with general category population; and

(d) what steps are being taken to improve this dismal position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR): (a) The literacy rate of Scheduled Tribes (STs) at all-India level, as per Census 2011 is 59%.

(b) No, Sir. As informed by the Office of the Registrar General, India, the percentage of 12th passed male and female among STs is 6.8 per cent and 5.6 per cent, respectively.

(c) As informed by the Office of the Registrar General, India, data on graduates are not separately compiled from Census. However, the percentage of Scheduled Tribe Graduates and above, among male and female is 3.9 per cent and 2.7 per cent, respectively while among the General population, the corresponding percentage for male and female is 11.0% and 9.2%, respectively. General Population is total population excluding Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe population.

(d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs supplements the efforts of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, which is the line Ministry with regard to the subject of education, and the State Governments/UT Administrations by administering various schemes with the objective of enhancing access to education through provision of infrastructure by way of construction of hostels for ST students, establishment of Ashram Schools, Vocational Training Centres as well as to maximize retention of ST students within the various stages of school education and promoting higher learning by providing monetary incentives in the form of scholarships such as Pre Matric Scholarship, Post Matric Scholarship (PMS), Scholarship for Top Class Education, Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship and National Overseas Scholarship for ST students. Ministry also implements a Scheme, namely, 'Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts' for educational upliftment of ST girls.

Assessment of STs in Jharkhand

†1175. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether genuine assessment of the population of Scheduled Tribes has been done in the Scheduled Tribe dominated State of Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the population of Scheduled Tribes in Jharkhand, district-wise; and

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