

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI K. J. ALPHONS): (a) and (b) The sea beaches, water falls, hills, valleys and forests are major tourism attraction in Konkan region.

The Ministry of Tourism has formulated a set of Guidelines for Safety and Quality Norms for Adventure Tourism Activities for the safety of the tourists and to minimize the risk associated with such activities. These guidelines have been reviewed and the revised guidelines 'Indian Adventure Tourism Guidelines-2018' (Version 2.0) which were launched on 31st May, 2018 covering 31 verticals involving land, air and water in respect of adventure tourism activities, have been forwarded to the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for adoption and compliance.

In order to provide safety and security to the tourists, the Government of Karnataka has set up Committees and appointed life guards and Pravasi Mitras. Similarly, the Government of Maharashtra has constituted committees for each district in the State to address the issues of safety of tourists. Further, the Government of Goa has deployed trained lifeguards and Night Patrolmen at various beaches along the coastline. The swimming zones along the coastlines have been identified and demarcated and flags and information boards with Do's and Don'ts instructions have been erected at various beaches for the safety of the tourists.

Funds for development of tourism in Bihar

†959. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the project-wise details of funds released for development of tourism in Bihar during the last three years;
- (b) the time-limit prescribed to complete these projects; and
- (c) the places where the tourist facilities would be available in Bihar after completion of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI K. J. ALPHONS): (a) to (c) The details of the projects sanctioned for infrastructure development and creation of tourist facilities in Bihar under the schemes *viz.*, Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) and "Integrated

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Development of Theme Based Tourist Circuit in the country, Swadesh Darshan (SD)" in last three years is as follows:—

1. "Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad Temple", Gaya, sanctioned in 2014-15 at the cost of ₹4.27 crore under PRASHAD Scheme. The amount ₹2.91 crore has been released so far for the project.
2. "Development of Patna Sahib" sanctioned in 2015-16 at the cost of ₹41.54 crore under PRASHAD Scheme. The amount ₹33.23 has been released so far for the project.
3. "Integrated Development of Kanwaria route: Sultanganj-Dhamsala-Deoghar", sanctioned in 2016-17 as Spiritual Circuit at the cost of ₹ 52.35 crore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The amount ₹26.17 crore has been released so far for the project.
4. "Development of Tirthankar Circuit: Vaishali-Arra-Masad-Patna-Rajgir-Pawapuri-Champapuri in Bihar", sanctioned in 2016-17 at the cost of ₹52.39 crore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The amount ₹26.19 crore has been released so far for the project.
5. "Development of Buddhist Circuit- Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya", Bihar, sanctioned in 2016-17 at the cost of ₹98.73 crore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The amount ₹ 19.75 crore has been released so far for the project.
6. "Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa-Chandrahia-Turkaulia in Bihar" under Rural Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme sanctioned in 2017-18 at the cost of ₹44.65 crore. The amount ₹8.93 crore has been released so far for the project.
7. Development of Mandar Hill and Ang Pradesh under Spiritual Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme, sanctioned in 2017-18 at the cost of ₹ 53.49 crore. The amount ₹ 10.70 crore has been released so far for the project.

The projects mentioned above are to be executed during the period of 24 to 36 months.

Development of birth place of Sita

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

- (a) whether any plan proposal of Bihar Government related to the development of birth place of Sita at Sitamarhi in Bihar is under consideration of Central Government, if so, the details thereof;

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