

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3192
ANSWERED ON 23.03.2021

IDENTIFICATION OF NEW TOURIST SPOTS

3192. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL:

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

- (a) whether Government has initiated to identify and develop new tourist spots in the country;
- (b) if so, the number and names of new tourist spots identified in various States, so far; and
- (c) by when the new identified tourist spots in the State are likely to be developed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c): Identification, promotion and development of various tourist places is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/ Union Territory Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism under its scheme of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial Assistance to the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations/ Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure and facilities in the country. The projects under the schemes are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc. Sanctioning and completion of the projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism is a continuous process. The details of the projects sanctioned under 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'PRASHAD' schemes are annexed.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3192 ANSWERED ON 23.03.2021 REGARDING IDENTIFICATION OF NEW TOURIST SPOTS

THE DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN AND PRASHAD SCHEMES.

I. SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME

(Amount in Rupees crore)

| Sl. No. | State/UT | Name of the Circuit | Name of the Project | Amt. Sanctioned |
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| Year 2014-15 | | | | |
| 1. | Arunachal Pradesh | North-East Circuit | Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang. | 49.77 |
| 2. | Andhra Pradesh | Coastal Circuit | Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipallyanjuna | 67.84 |
| Year 2015-16 | | | | |
| 3. | Manipur | North-East Circuit | Development of Circuit at Imphal-Khongjom | 72.23 |
| 4. | Sikkim | North-East Circuit | Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang-Sherathang- Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung-Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan- tamil-TuminLingee- Singtam (exit). | 98.05 |
| 5. | Uttarakhand | Eco Circuit | Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba- Sarain around Tehri Lake. | 69.17 |
| 6. | Rajasthan | Desert Circuit | Development of Shakambhari Mata Temple, Sambhar Salt Complex, DevyaniKund, SharmisthaSarovar, Naliasarand Other Destinations. | 63.96 |
| 7. | Nagaland | Tribal Circuit | Development of Circuit at Peren-Kohima- Wokha | 97.36 |
| 8. | Madhya Pradesh | Wildlife Circuit | Development of Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri-Bandhavgarh- Kanha- Mukki- Pench. | 92.22 |
| 9. | Andhra Pradesh | Coastal Circuit | Development of Nellore, Pulikat Lake, Ubblamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham | 49.46 |
| 10. | Telangana | Eco Circuit | Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, | 91.62 |

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| | | | Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham) | |
| 11. | Kerala | Eco Circuit | Development of Pathanamthitta - Gavi- Vagamon- Thekkady | 76.55 |
| 12. | Mizoram | North East Circuit | Integrated Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek | 92.26 |
| 13. | Assam | Wildlife Circuit | Development of Manas- Pobitora- Nameri- Kaziranga- Dibru- Saikhowa. | 94.68 |
| 14. | Puducherry | Coastal Circuit | Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam | 85.28 |
| 15. | Arunachal Pradesh | North East Circuit | Integrated Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa, Pappu, Pasa, Pakke Valleys, Lumdung, Lafang Sohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha | 96.72 |
| 16. | Tripura | North East Circuit | Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur- Tirthamukh- Mandirghat- Dumboor- NarikelKunja- Gandachara- Ambassa | 82.85 |
| 17. | West Bengal | Coastal Circuit | Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai- Henry Island | 85.39 |
| 18. | Chhattisgarh | Tribal Circuit | Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- NathiyaNawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh. | 96.10 |
| 19. | Maharashtra | Coastal Circuit | Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort). | 19.06 |
| Year 2016-17 | | | | |
| 20. | Goa | Coastal Circuit | Development of Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna- Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail. | 97.65 |
| 21. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Jammu- Srinagar-Pehalgam-Bhagwati Nagar- Anantnag-Salamabad Uri-Kargil-Leh | 77.33 |
| 22. | Telangana | Tribal Circuit | Integrated Development of Mulugu- Laknavaram- Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls. | 79.87 |

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| 23. | Meghalaya | North East Circuit | Development of Umium (Lake View), U LumSohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang – Orchid Lake Resort. | 99.13 |
| 24. | Madhya Pradesh | Buddhist Circuit | Development of Sanchi – Satna - Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar. | 74.02 |
| 25. | Kerala | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa- Sannidhanam. | 99.99 |
| 26. | Manipur | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple. | 53.80 |
| 27. | Gujarat | Heritage Circuit | Development of Ahmedabad- Rajkot- Porbandar –Bardoli- Dandi. | 59.17 |
| 28. | Haryana | Krishna Circuit | Development of Tourism Infrastructures at Brahmsarovar, SanhitSarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra. | 97.35 |
| 29. | Rajasthan | Krishna Circuit | Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), KhatuShyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand). | 75.80 |
| 30. | Sikkim | North East circuit | Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee– Maka-Temi-BermoikNamchi- Okharey - Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit) | 95.32 |
| 31. | Madhya Pradesh | Heritage circuit | Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho – Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu | 89.82 |
| 32. | Kerala | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Sree Padmanabha Temple, Aranmula- Sabrimala | 92.22 |
| 33. | Bihar | Tirthankar circuit | Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri. | 37.19 |
| 34. | Bihar | Spiritual circuit | Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj- Mojma- Banka. | 44.76 |
| 35. | Odisha | Coastal circuit | Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara. | 70.82 |
| 36. | Nagaland | Tribal circuit | Development of Mokokchung– Tuensang-Mon | 98.14 |
| 37. | Uttarakhand | Heritage circuit | Development of Kumaon Region – Katarmal –Jogeshwar-Baijnath- Devidhura. | 76.32 |
| 38. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian-Pulwama | 84.46 |
| 39. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities - Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package | 90.43 |

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| 40. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai and Sudhmahadev | 90.85 |
| 41. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Tourist facilities at Anantnag-Kishwar-Pahalgam-Daksum-Ranjit Sagar Dam | 87.44 |
| 42. | Jammu & Kashmir | Himalayan Circuit | Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla- Kupwara-Kargil - Leh | 91.84 |
| 43. | Uttar Pradesh | Buddhist Circuit | Development of Srawasti, Kushinagar, & Kapilvastu. | 99.97 |
| 44. | Uttar Pradesh | Ramayana Circuit | Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur | 69.45 |
| 45. | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | Coastal Circuit | Development of Long Island-Ross Smith Island- Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair. | 26.91 |
| 46. | Tamil Nadu | Coastal Circuit | Development of Chennai-Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari | 72.26 |
| 47. | Uttar Pradesh | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Shahjahanpur-Basti- Ahar-Aligarh-Kasgunj-Sarosi-Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur-Kairana- Doamriyagunj- Bagpat-Barabanki- Azamgarh | 65.61 |
| 48. | Uttar Pradesh | Spiritual –II Circuit | Development of Bijnor- Meerut-Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda-Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia-Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur-Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra-Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi | 67.51 |
| 49. | Uttar Pradesh | Heritage Circuit | Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- MarharDham (SantKabir Nagar)- ChauriChaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- MavaharSthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut) | 33.17 |
| 50. | Bihar | Buddhist Circuit | Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya | 98.73 |
| 51. | Assam | Heritage Circuit | Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar | 90.98 |
| 52. | Himachal Pradesh | Himalayan Circuit | Integrated Development of Himalayan Circuit in Kiarighat, Shimla, Hatkoti, Manali, Kangra, Dharamshala, Bir, Palampur, Chamba | 80.69 |
| 53. | Mizoram | Eco Circuit | Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – Durtlang - Chatlang- Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee – Beratlawnng -Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang | 99.07 |
| 54. | Rajasthan | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Churu (SalasarBalaji)– Jaipur (Shri | 93.90 |

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| | | | SamodeBalaji, GhatkeBalaji, BandhekeBalaji)- Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) – MehandipurBalaji-Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji) | |
| 55. | Gujarat | Heritage Circuit | Development of Vadnagar and Modhera | 91.84 |
| Year 2017-18 | | | | |
| 56. | Bihar | Rural Circuit | Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia | 44.65 |
| 57. | Goa | Coastal Circuit | Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula -Colva - Benaulim | 99.35 |
| 58. | Gujarat | Buddhist circuit | Development of Junagadh-GirSomnath- Bharuch-Kutch-Bhavnagar- Rajkot- Mehsana | 28.67 |
| 59. | Puducherry | Heritage Circuit | Development of Franco- Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam | 66.35 |
| 60. | Puducherry | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry | 40.68 |
| 61. | Rajasthan | Heritage Circuit | Development of Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort)- Jaipur (Nahargarh Fort)- Alwar (BalaQuila)– SawaiMadhopur (Ranthambore Fort and Khandar Fort)– Jhalawar (GagronFort)– Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort) Jaisalmer (JaisalmerFort) Hanumangarh (Kalibangan, Bhatner Fort and Gogamedi)- Jalore (Jalore Fort)- Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra)- Dholpur (Bagh-i-Nilofar and PuraniChawni)– Nagaur(Meera Bai Smarak) | 90.92 |
| 62. | Telangana | Heritage Circuit | Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park- Paigah Tombs- Hayat Bakshi Mosque-Raymond's Tomb | 96.90 |
| 63. | Bihar | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh | 47.52 |
| 64. | Madhya Pradesh | Eco Circuit | Development of Gandhisagar Dam- Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam- Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River. | 94.61 |
| 65. | Uttar Pradesh | Ramayana Circuit | Development of Ayodhya. | 127.21 |
| 66. | Andhra Pradesh | Buddhist Circuit | Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam-Thotlakonda- Bavikonda- Bojjanakonda- Amravati- Anupu in Andhra Pradesh | 52.34 |

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| Year 2018-19 | | | | |
| 67. | Maharashtra | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Waki- Adasa-Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad | 54.01 |
| 68. | -- | Development of Wayside Amenities (Sub- Scheme) | Development of Wayside Amenities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar at Varanasi - Gaya; Lucknow-Ayodhya- Lucknow; Gorakhpur-Kushinagar; Kushinagar-Gaya- Kushinagar in collaboration with MoRTH | 17.93 |
| 69. | Uttar Pradesh | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Jewar -Dadri - Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda. | 12.03 |
| 70. | Jharkhand | Eco Circuit | Development of Dalma- Chandil- Getalsud- Betla National park- Mirchaia-Netarhat. | 52.72 |
| 71. | Tripura | North East circuit | Development of Surma Cherra- Unakoti- Jampui Hills - Gunabati-Bhunaneswari- Matabari- Neermahal- Boxanagar - Chottakhola- Pilak- Avangcharr | 65.00 |
| 72. | Punjab | Heritage Circuit | Development of Anandpur Sahib – Fatehgarh Sahib – Chamkaur Sahib – Ferozpur – Amritsar – Khatkar Kalan – Kalanour - Patiala | 91.55 |
| 73. | Kerala | Spiritual Circuit | Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram- Kunnumpara Sree Subrahmanya- Chembazhanthi Sree Narayana Gurukulam | 69.47 |
| 74. | Kerala | Rural Circuit | Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project | 80.37 |
| 75. | Meghalaya | North East Circuit | Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw- Kremtirot - Khudoi&Kohmang Falls – Khri River- Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls- Shymang- Iooksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, KattaBeel, Siju Caves) | 84.97 |
| 76. | Uttar Pradesh | Spiritual Circuit | Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple(Domariyaganj) | 15.76 |

II. PRASHAD SCHEME

(Amount in Rupees crore)

| Sl. No. | State/UTs | Project Nos | Name of the Project | Year of Sanction | Approved cost |
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| 1. | ANDHRA PRADESH | 1. | Development of Amaravati Town, Guntur District as a Tourist Destination | 2015-16 | 27.77 |

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| | | 2. | Development of Srisailem Temple | 2017-18 | 47.45 |
| 2. | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 3. | Development of Parasuram Kund, Lohit Distt. | 2020-21 | 37.88 |
| 3. | ASSAM | 4. | Development of Kamakhya Temple and Pilgrimage Destination in and around Guwahati | 2015-16 | 30.71 |
| 4. | BIHAR | 5. | Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple, Gaya, Bihar | 2014-15 | 4.27 |
| | | 6. | Development at Patna Sahib | 2015-16 | 41.54 |
| 5. | CHHATTISGARH | 7. | Development of Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, Rajnandgaon, Dongargarh, Chhattisgarh | 2020-21 | 43.33 |
| 6. | GUJARAT | 8. | Development of Dwarka | 2016-17 | 13.08 |
| | | 9. | Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath | 2016-17 | 45.36 |
| | | 10. | Development of Promenade at Somnath under PRASHAD Scheme | 2018-19 | 47.12 |
| 7. | HARYANA | 11. | Development of Nada Saheb Gurudwara and Mata Mansha Devi Temple in Panchkula District | 2019-20 | 49.52 |
| 8. | JAMMU & KASHMIR | 12. | Development at Hazratbal, | 2016-17 | 40.46 |
| 9. | JHARKHAND | 13. | Development of Baidyanathji Dham, Deoghar | 2018-19 | 39.13 |
| 10. | KERALA | 14. | Development at Guruvayur Temple | 2016-17 | 46.14 |
| 11. | MADHYA PRADESH | 15. | Development of Omkareshwar | 2017-18 | 44.83 |
| | | 16. | Development of Amarkantak | 2020-21 | 49.99 |
| 12. | MAHARASHTRA | 17. | Development of Trimbakeshwar | 2017-18 | 37.81 |
| 13. | MEGHALAYA | 18. | Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation in Meghalaya | 2020-21 | 29.32 |
| 14. | NAGALAND | 19. | Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure in Nagaland | 2018-19 | 25.26 |
| 15. | ODISHA | 20. | Infrastructure Development at Puri, | 2014-15 | 50.00 |

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| | | | Shree Jagannath Dham – Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit | | |
| 16. | PUNJAB | 21. | Development of KarunaSagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar | 2015-16 | 6.40 |
| 17. | RAJASTHAN | 22. | Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer | 2015-16 | 32.64 |
| 18. | SIKKIM | 23. | Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom | 2020-21 | 33.32 |
| 19. | TAMILNADU | 24. | Development of Kanchipuram | 2016-17 | 13.99 |
| | | 25. | Development of Vellankani | 2016-17 | 4.86 |
| 20. | TELANGANA | 26. | Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple, Alampur | 2020-21 | 36.73 |
| 21. | TRIPURA | 27. | Development of Tripura Sundari Temple, Udaipur | 2020-21 | 37.84 |
| 22. | UTTARAKHAND | 28. | Integrated Development of Kedarnath | 2015-16 | 34.78 |
| | | 29. | Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham (Uttarakhand) under PRASHAD Scheme | 2018-19 | 39.24 |
| 23. | UTTAR PRADESH | 30. | Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II) | 2014-15 | 14.93 |
| | | 31. | Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan, Distt. Mathura | 2014-15 | 9.36 |
| | | 32. | Development of Varanasi | 2015-16 | 20.40 |
| | | 33. | Cruse Tourism in River Ganga, Varanasi | 2017-18 | 10.72 |
| | | 34. | Development of Varanasi Under Prashad Scheme – Phase II | 2017-18 | 44.60 |
| | | 35. | Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan, Mathura, UP | 2018-19 | 39.74 |
| 24. | WEST BENGAL | 36. | Development of Belur | 2016-17 | 30.03 |
