## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2097 ANSWERED ON 16.12.2021

## PROMOTION OF RELIGIOUS TOURISM IN BUXAR

2097 # SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme is being implemented by Government to promote religious tourism to operate the "Ramayana Circuit" and to develop sites linked therewith; and
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to implement any special scheme to develop Buxar where Vishwamitra taught the art of archery to Lord Rama and Laxman?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) The Ministry of Tourism had launched the Swadesh Darshan Scheme for integrated development of theme-based tourist circuits in January-2015. Ramayana Circuit is one of the identified circuit under the scheme. Two projects have been sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism under the "Ramayana Circuit" of Swadesh Darshan Scheme (i) Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur and (ii) Development of Ayodhya.
- (b) No Sir. No such proposal is under consideration.