

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 305 #
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DEVELOPMENT OF VINDHYANCHAL-KALIKHOH-ASHTABHUJA TRIANGLE

305 # SMT. SEEMA DWIVEDI:

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

- (a) the details of works undertaken by Government to promote tourism in the famous triangle of Vindhyanchal-Kalikhoh-Ashtabhuja situated between the Vindhya mountains and Ganges located in the district, Mirzapur;
- (b) whether it is a fact that there are six major beautiful natural waterfalls situated in Mirzapur district;
- (c) if so, the planning of Government to develop them from the tourism point of view; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to formulate some plan to connect Chunargarh fort and Shivgarh fort situated in Mirzapur to promote tourism?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): Promotion and development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration.

The Ministry of Tourism undertakes holistic promotion of various tourism destinations and products of the country including those in the district of Mirzapur, which has many tourist attractions including waterfalls. These promotions are undertaken in the domestic and international markets under Incredible India brand line through print, electronic and online media campaigns, Ministry of Tourism's website (www.incredibleindia.org), Social Media Platforms and India Tourism Offices in India and overseas etc.

The Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistance to State Government/Union Territory Administration for tourism related projects under its 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual and Heritage Augmentation Drive' (PRASHAD) Schemes. The assistance is provided 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. As of now, the Ministry of Tourism is not considering any proposal to connect Chunargarh fort and Shivgarh fort situated in Mirzapur to promote tourism.
