

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
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PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN KARNATAKA

947 SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

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

- (a) whether the Central Government has sent any proposal of financial assistance to Karnataka for the development of tourism, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of projects being identified and proposed to be developed;
- (c) the details of the financial assistance sanctioned/to be sanctioned for each project; and
- (d) the details of the projects identified, particularly in Belagavi district of Karnataka?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): Development of tourism is primarily the responsibility of respective State Governments/UT Administrations and the Ministry of Tourism has not sent any proposal of financial assistance to the State Government of Karnataka for development of Tourism. However, the Ministry of Tourism under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial assistance to State Governments/UT Administrations etc. for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. The Ministry of Tourism has revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations. Under SD2.0, the Ministry has identified 'Hampi' and 'Mysuru' as destinations for development. In addition, under its PRASHAD scheme, the Ministry has identified the following projects in Karnataka:-

- (i) Development of Maa Chamundeshwari Devi Temple, Mysuru, Karnataka
- (ii) Sri Madhwa Vana, Kunjarugiri, Udupi District
- (iii) Papnash Temple, Bidar District
- (iv) Sri Renuka Yallamma Temple, Saudatti, Belagavi District.

No financial sanction has been issued in respect of the above mentioned projects.
