

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.777**  
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2024

**SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME**

777 SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH:  
SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA:

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

- (a) the manner in which Swadesh Darshan Scheme been instrumental in promoting tourism and cultural heritage in India; and
- (b) what specific initiatives and projects have been implemented under this scheme to enhance visitor experience and boost local economies?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Tourism launched its Swadesh Darshan scheme (SDS) in the year 2014-15 with the objective to augment tourism facilities in the country thereby promoting culture and heritage of the country, enhancing tourist attractiveness in a sustainable manner, creating awareness among the local communities about the importance of tourism, creating employment through active involvement of local communities etc.

The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 76 projects in the country under identified themes including 10 Heritage theme circuits under SDS. The details of these projects are at annexure-I.

The Ministry of Tourism has revamped the Swadesh Darshan Scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations, following a destination & tourism-centric approach and have notified 57 destinations in the country for development under SD2.0 the detail of which is at annexure-II.

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**ANNEXURE-I**

**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.777 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2024 REGARDING SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME BY SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH AND SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA**

Circuit wise Detail of projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.

**(Amount in Rs. Crore)**

<b>BUDDHIST CIRCUIT</b>					
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
1.	Madhya Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar.	74.02	72.75
2.	Uttar Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Srawasti, Kushinagar, & Kapilvastu.	87.89	72.56
3.	Bihar	2016-17	Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya	95.18	93.22
4.	Gujarat	2017-18	Development of Junagadh- Gir Somnath- Bharuch-Kutch- Bhavnagar-Rajkot- Mehsana	26.68	22.28
5.	Andhra Pradesh	2017-18	Development of Buddhist Circuit: Shalihundam- Bavikonda- Bojjanakonda -Amravati- Anupu	35.24	28.19
<b>Total</b>				<b>319.01</b>	<b>289.00</b>
<b>COASTAL CIRCUIT</b>					
1	Andhra Pradesh	2014-15	Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipally	67.83	67.83
2	Andhra Pradesh	2015-16	Development of Nellore, Pulikat Lake, Ubblamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham	49.55	49.55
3	Puducherry	2015-16	Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam	58.44	58.44
4	West Bengal	2015-16	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Frasersganj-Bakkhlai- Henry Island	67.99	65.07
5	Maharashtra	2015-16	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort).	19.06	18.11

6	Goa	2016-17	Development of Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	97.65	97.65
7	Odisha	2016-17	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara.	70.82	67.28
8	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	2016-17	Development of Long Island-Ross Smith Island- Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair.	27.57	22.13
9	Tamil Nadu	2016-17	Development of Chennai-Mamamallapuram – Rameshwaram – Kulasekaranpattinam – Kanyakumari	73.13	71.03
10	Goa	2017-18	Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula -Colva - Benaulim	99.35	99.35
<b>Total</b>				<b>631.39</b>	<b>616.44</b>
<b>DESERT CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Rajasthan	2015-16	Development of Shakambhari Mata Temple, Sambhar Salt Complex, DevyaniKund, SharmisthaSarovar, Naliasarand Other Destinations.	50.01	50.01
<b>Total</b>				<b>50.01</b>	<b>50.01</b>
<b>ECO CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Uttarakhand	2015-16	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism, Adventure Sports, and Associated Tourism Related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination-District Tehri	69.17	69.17
2.	Telangana	2015-16	Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)	91.62	91.25
3.	Kerala	2015-16	Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi-Vagamon- Thekkady.	64.08	64.08
4.	Mizoram	2016-17	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui – -Chatlang-Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee – Beratlawng -Tuirial Airfield – Hmuifang	66.37	53.09
5.	Madhya Pradesh	2017-18	Development of Gandhisagar Dam-Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam-Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River	93.76	89.07
6.	Jharkhand	2018-19	Development of Eco Tourism circuit: Dalma- Betla National park-	30.44	28.83

			Mirchaiya- Netarhat		
<b>Total</b>				<b>415.44</b>	<b>395.49</b>
<b>HERITAGE CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Gujarat	2016-17	Development of Ahmedabad- Rajkot- Porbandar –Bardoli- Dandi.	58.42	56.21
2.	Madhya Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Gwalior – Orchha – Khajuraho – Chanderi – Bhimbetka – Mandu	89.82	89.49
3.	Uttarakhand	2016-17	Development of Kumaon Region – Katarmal –Jogeshwar-Baijnath- Devidhura.	76.32	67.62
4.	Uttar Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Kalinjar Fort (Banda)- MarharDham (SantKabir Nagar)- ChauriChaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)- MavaharSthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut)	33.92	32.27
5.	Assam	2016-17	Development of Tezpur – Majuli – Sibsagar	90.98	86.42
6.	Gujarat	2016-17	Development of Vadnagar- Modhera	91.12	87.25
7.	Puducherry	2017-18	Development of Franco- Tamil Village, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam	49.44	45.70
8.	Rajasthan	2017-18	Development of Heritage Circuit Development of Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort) - Jaipur (Facade Illumination in Jaipur and Nahargarh Fort) -Jhalawar (Gagron Fort) - Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort) – Jaisalmer (Jaisalmer Fort) - Hanumangarh (Gogamedi) - Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra) - Dholpur (Bagh-I-Nilofor and Purani Chawani) - Nagaur (Meera Bai Smarak, Merta) - Tonk (Sunehri Kothi)	70.61	66.99
9.	Telangana	2017-18	Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park- Paigah Tombs- Hayat Bakshi Mosque- Raymond's Tomb	96.90	70.61
10.	Punjab	2018-19	Development of Anandpur Sahib – Fatehgarh Sahib – Chamkaur Sahib – Ferozpur – Khatkar Kalan – Kalanour - Patiala	85.32	81.05
<b>Total</b>				<b>742.85</b>	<b>683.61</b>
<b>HIMALAYAN CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Jammu & Kashmir	2016-17	Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects-Bhagwati Nagar	77.33	67.37
2.	Jammu & Kashmir	2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian-Pulwama	81.60	67.35
3.	Jammu &	2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities	90.43	74.70

	Kashmir		under the Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package for J&K		
4.	Jammu & Kashmir	2016-17	Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai & Sudhmahadev	91.99	87.19
5.	Jammu & Kashmir	2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities at Anantnag- Kishtwar- Pahalgam – Daksum – RanjitSagar Dam.	86.39	69.95
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla-Kupwara-Leh	91.84	82.16
7.	Himachal Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Himalayan Circuit in Kiarighat, Shimla, Hatkoti, Manali, Kangra, Dharamshala, Bir, Palampur, Chamba	68.34	64.54
<b>Total</b>				<b>587.92</b>	<b>513.26</b>
<b>KRISHNA CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Haryana	2016-17	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at Brahmsarovar, SanhitSarovar, Narkatari, Jyotisar in Kurukshetra.	77.39	77.88
2.	Rajasthan	2016-17	Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand).	75.80	72.01
<b>Total</b>				<b>153.19</b>	<b>149.89</b>
<b>NORTH-EAST INDIA CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	2014-15	Development of Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang.	49.77	47.28
2.	Manipur	2015-16	Development of Circuit at Imphal-Khongjom	72.23	61.32
3.	Sikkim	2015-16	Development of Circuit linking Rangpo (entry) – Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang-Sherathang- Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung-Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmer- Mangan- Gangtok-TuminLingee- Singtam (exit).	98.05	97.41
4.	Mizoram	2015-16	Development of Thenzawl & South Zote, Districts Serchhip and Reiek	92.26	92.26
5.	Arunachal Pradesh	2015-16	Development of Jirigaon, Nafra, Seppa, Pappu, Pasa, Pakke Valleys, Lumdung, LafangSohung Lake, Taro Yar, New Sagalee, Ziro, Yomcha	96.72	91.88
6.	Tripura	2015-16	Development of North East Circuit: Agartala - Sipahijala - Melaghar - Udaipur - Amarpur- Tirthamukh- Mandirghat– Dumboor- NarikelKunja- Gandachara– Ambassa	82.85	73.29

7.	Meghalaya	2016-17	Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang – Orchid Lake Resort.	99.13	99.11
8.	Sikkim	2016-17	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Lingmoo-Lingee– Maka-Temi-BermoikNamchi- Okharey-Sombaria-Daramdin- Melli (Exit)	95.32	90.55
9.	Tripura	2018-19	Development of Surma Cherra-Unakoti- Jampui Hills- Gunabati-Bhunaneshwari- Matabari-Neermahal- Boxanagar- Chottakhola-Pilak- Avangchaarra	44.83	35.25
10.	Meghalaya	2018-19	Development of West Khasi Hills (Nongkhlaw- KremTiot - Khudoi&Kohmang Falls – Khri River-Mawthadraishan, Shillong), Jaintia Hills (Krang Suri Falls- Shyrmang-Iooksi), Garo Hills (Nokrek Reserve, KattaBeel, Siju Caves)	84.97	76.97
<b>Total</b>				<b>816.13</b>	<b>765.32</b>
<b>RAMAYANA CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Uttar Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur	69.45	64.09
2.	Uttar Pradesh	2017-18	Development of Ayodhya	127.21	115.46
<b>Total</b>				<b>196.66</b>	<b>179.55</b>
<b>RURAL CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Bihar	2017-18	Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa- Chandrahia- Turkaulia	44.27	39.96
2.	Kerala	2018-19	Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project	57.35	30.98
<b>Total</b>				<b>101.62</b>	<b>70.94</b>
<b>SPIRITUAL CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Kerala	2016-17	Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam as a Spiritual Circuit in District Pathanamthitta, Kerala.	47.74	27.44
2.	Manipur	2016-17	Development of Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple – Shri Gopinath Temple – Shri Bungshibodon Temple – Shri Kaina Temple.	45.34	43.04
3.	Kerala	2016-17	Development of Sree Padmanabha Temple, Aranmula- Sabrimala	78.08	73.77
4.	Bihar	2016-17	Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj – Dharmshala- Deoghar	44.76	42.52
5.	Uttar Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Spiritual Circuit-I(Shahjahanpur-Allahabad-Basti-Ahar-Aligharh-Kasgunj-Sarosi-	71.91	68.32

			Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur- Kairana- Doamriyagunj- Bagpat-Barabanki- Azamgarh)		
6.	Uttar Pradesh	2016-17	Development of Bijnor- Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi	67.51	64.14
7.	Rajasthan	2016-17	Development of Spiritual Circuit- 'Development of Churu (Salasar Balaji)-Jaipur (Shri Samodke Balaji, Ghatke Balaji, Bandheke Balaji)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) - Mehndipur Balaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji)	87.05	72.23
8.	Puducherry	2017-18	Development of Karaikal, Yanam and Puducherry	34.96	30.94
9.	Bihar	2017-18	Development of Mandar Hill & Ang Pradesh.	44.55	42.32
10	Maharashtra	2018-19	Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad	53.96	32.04
11.	Uttar Pradesh	2018-19	Development of Jewar-Dadri- Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda	12.03	11.43
12.	Uttar Pradesh	2018-19	Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple(Domariyaganj)	18.30	16.81
13.	Kerala	2018-19	Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram- KunnumparaSreeSubrahmania- ChembazhanthiSree Narayana Gurukulam	66.42	42.01
			<b>Total</b>	<b>672.61</b>	<b>567.01</b>
<b>TRIBAL CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Nagaland	2015-16	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36	92.49
2.	Chhattisgarh	2015-16	Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- NathiyaNawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.	96.10	94.23
3.	Telangana	2016-17	Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram- Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi-	79.87	79.87

			Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.		
4.	Nagaland	2016-17	Development of Mokokchung– Tuensang-Mon	98.14	98.14
			<b>Total</b>	<b>371.47</b>	<b>364.73</b>
<b>TIRTHANKAR CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Bihar	2016-17	Development of Vaishali- Arrah- Masad- Patna- Rajgir- Pawapuri- Champapuri.	33.96	30.04
			<b>Total</b>	<b>33.96</b>	<b>30.04</b>
<b>WILDLIFE CIRCUIT</b>					
1.	Madhya Pradesh	2015-16	Development of Circuit at Panna- Mukundpur- Sanjay- Dubri- Bandhavgarh- Kanha- Mukki- Pench.	92.10	86.31
2.	Assam	2015-16	Development of Manas– Pobitora– Nameri– Kaziranga– Dibru– Saikhowa.	94.68	89.94
			<b>Total</b>	<b>186.78</b>	<b>176.25</b>
<b>WAYSIDE SUB SCHEME CIRCUIT</b>					
1	Wayside	2018-19	Development of Wayside Amenities in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar at Varanasi- Gaya; Lucknow-Ayodhya- Lucknow; Gorakhpur-Kushinagar; Kushinagar- Gaya- Kushinaga in collaboration with MoRTH	15.07	14.32
			<b>Total</b>	<b>15.07</b>	<b>14.32</b>

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**ANNEXURE-II****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.777 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2024 REGARDING SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME BY SHRI AJAY PRATAP SINGH AND SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA**

Destinations notified for development under Swadesh Darshan Scheme 2.0

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>States/Union Territory</b>	<b>Destinations Selected/Identified</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	Gandikota, Arakku-Lambasingi
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Nacho, Mechuka
3	Assam	Jorhat, Kokrajhar
4	Bihar	Gaya, Nalanda
5	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur, Jagdalpur
6	Goa	Porvorim, Colva
7	Gujarat	Dholavira, Dwarka
8	Haryana	Panchkula (Morni)
9	Himachal Pradesh	Pong Dam
10	Jammu & Kashmir	Basholi
11	Jharkhand	Chandil
12	Karnataka	Hampi, Mysuru
13	Kerala	Kumarakom, Kozhikode (Beypore)
14	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior, Chitrakoot
15	Maharashtra	Sindhudurg, Ajanta-Ellora
16	Manipur	Moirang (Bishnupur)
17	Meghalaya	Shillong, Sohra
18	Mizoram	Aizawl, Champhai
19	Nagaland	Niuland, Chumukedima
20	Odisha	Koraput, Debrigarh along with special attraction of 'Khinda Village'
21	Punjab	Amritsar, Kapurthala
22	Rajasthan	Bundi (Keshoraipatan), Jodhpur
23	Sikkim	Gangtok, Gyalshing
24	Tamil Nadu	Mamallapuram, The Nilgiris
25	Telangana	Bhongir, Ananthagiri
26	Tripura	Agartala, Unakoti
27	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj, Naimisharanya
28	Uttarakhand	Pittoragarh, Champavat

29	Chandigarh	Chandigarh
30	Lakshadweep	Lakshadweep
31	Puducherry	Puducherry, Karaikal
32	Ladakh	Leh, Kargil
	Total	57

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