GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1106 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021

SCHEMES TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to provide assistance to State Governments for development of tourism in the country;
- (b) whether several tourist places in the country are being developed with foreign financial assistance;
- (c) if so, the details of the financial assistance received and utilized during each of the last three years and the current year, project and State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government plans to promote tribal tourism across the country and if so, the details of the schemes and sites that have been identified for the same particularly in Maharashtra:
- (e) whether the Government proposes to develop these sites and details of assistance provided to the State Governments for the said purpose; and
- (f) whether any Scheme exists for the conservation and promotion of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in India and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (c): Development of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government/ UT Administration. However, the Ministry of Tourism under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Rejuvenation and **Pilgrimage** Spiritual, Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' provides financial assistance to State Governments/ Union Territory (UT) Administrations/ Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. The projects are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc. Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD schemes of the Ministry of Tourism are central sector schemes and funds are provided by the Ministry of Tourism to the State/ UT/ Central Implementing Agencies directly. The Ministry of Tourism is not operating any scheme for providing foreign financial assistance to the States / UTs for development of tourism infrastructure.
- (d) & (e): Development and Promotion of Tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government / Union Territory (UT) Administrations. However, the Ministry of Tourism has identified fifteen thematic circuits under Swadesh Darshan scheme for development namely; North-East, Buddhist, Himalayan, Coastal, Krishna, Desert, Tribal, Eco, Wildlife, Rural, Spiritual, Ramayana, Heritage, Sufi and Tirthankar. As of now, no circuit on tribal theme has been sanctioned in the State of Maharashtra however the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 2 projects for Coastal and Spiritual themes for total amount of Rs. 73.07 Crore under Swadesh Darshan scheme in Maharashtra. The list of the projects sanctioned under Tribal Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan is annexed.
- (f): Archaeological survey of India has informed that there is no specific scheme for the conservation and promotion of UNESCO World Heritage Sites, however the Ministry of Tourism holistically promotes various tourism destinations of India including multiple World Heritage Sites in international and domestic markets.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (d) & (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1106 ANSWERED ON 08.02.2021 REGARDING SCHEMES TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM

THE DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER TRIBAL CIRCUIT THEME OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME.

SI. No.	State/UT	Name of the Project/ Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in crore)
1.	Nagaland	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36
2.	Chhattisgarh	Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur - Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- NathiyaNawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.	96.10
3.	Telangana	Integrated Development of Mulugu- Laknavaram- Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.	79.87
4.	Nagaland	Development of Mokokchung- Tuensang-Mon	98.14
