

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.959#
ANSWERED ON 09.02.2021

PRIME MINISTER'S SPECIAL PACKAGE TO BIHAR

959#. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Rs.600 crore have been earmarked for tourist spots in Bihar under the Prime Minister's Special Package;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that an amount of Rs.223.25 crore have been sanctioned for 5 schemes under the said package;
- (c) whether a proposal to sanction Rs. 168.75 crore for Ramayan and Buddhist circuits is pending with the Ministry of Tourism; and
- (d) if so, by when Government proposes to sanction the same?

ANSWER

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

(a): Yes, Sir. Details of the tourism projects under Prime Minister's Bihar Package are annexed.

(b): Under the said package, tourism projects for a total amount of Rs.329.59 Crore have been sanctioned and an amount of Rs.241.20 Crore has been released as per details in the annexure.

(c) & (d): For Buddhist Circuit under Bihar Package, two projects namely 'Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya, Bihar' and 'Development of Bodhgaya-Rajgir-Nalanda-Vaishali' were identified for taking up under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme. Of this, 'Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya, Bihar' project has been sanctioned for an amount of Rs.98.73 Crore.

Sanctioning of new projects pertaining to Ramayana Circuit and Development of Bodhgaya – Rajgir – Nalanda – Vaishali under the theme of Buddhist Circuit is subject to ongoing review of the scheme.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.959# ANSWERED ON 09.02.2021 REGARDING PRIME MINISTER'S SPECIAL PACKAGE TO BIHAR.

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	Project Name	Amount Approved	Name of the Scheme under which the project have been identified for implementation	Name of the Project Sanctioned /Year	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	Vaishali and Bodhgaya development along with other places in Buddhist Circuit including Vikramshila	200.00	Swadesh Darshan	Construction of Convention Centre at Bodhgaya, Bihar under the Theme of Buddhist Circuit (2016-17)	98.73	78.92
			Swadesh Darshan	Development of Bodhgaya-Rajgir-Nalanda-Vaishali under the Theme of Buddhist Circuit	--	--
2.	Sultanganj to Deoghar project	50.00	Swadesh Darshan	Integrated Development of Kanwaria route: Sultanganj to Deoghar under the Theme of Spiritual Circuit (2016-17)	44.76	42.52
3.	Mahatma Gandhi Circuit	50.00	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Bhitiharwa - Chandrahia - Turkaulia in Bihar under the Theme of Rural Circuit (2017-18)	44.65	22.32
4.	Ramayana Circuit	100.00	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Sitamarhi-Darbhangha- Buxar under the Theme of Ramayana Circuit	--	--
5.	Jain Circuit including	50.00	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Jain Circuit in Bihar: Vaishali -	52.39	26.19

	Champapuri & Pawapuri			Arrah – Masad – Patna – Rajgir – Pawapuri – Champapuri under the Theme of Spiritual Circuit (2016-17)		
6.	Circuit for Mandar Hills and Ang Kshetra	50.00	Swadesh Darshan	Development of Mandar Development Hill & Ang Pradesh under the Theme of Spiritual Circuit (2017-18)	47.52	38.02
7.	Centre of IITTM in Bihar	50.00	Asst. to IHMs/FCIs/IITMs etc.	Setting up of IITTM at Bodhgaya, Bihar	--	--
8.	Patna Sahib	50.00	PRASHAD	Development at Patna Sahib (2015-16)	41.54	33.23
	Total	600.00			329.59	241.20
