

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†362
ANSWERED ON 05.02.2024**

COVERAGE OF RELIGIOUS SITES UNDER PRASHAD SCHEME

**†362. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:
SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched a 'PRASHAD' scheme for development and beautification of major tourist and religious sites in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the tourist and religious sites in the country covered under the said scheme particularly in the backward areas of the country as on date, place-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has taken any steps to cover the tourist and religious site in the Shahjahanpur and Misrikh Parliamentary Constituencies in Uttar Pradesh under PRASHAD scheme;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the details of the progress made so far in this regard?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism launched the PRASAD (Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Augmentation Drive) scheme in 2014-15 with the objective of developing infrastructure at pre-identified religious/heritage sites across the country including backward areas. Under the Scheme the Ministry provides financial assistance to State Governments and Union Territory Administrations for the development of tourism infrastructure at these sites. The Ministry has sanctioned 46 projects at a cost of Rs.1631.93 Crore under the PRASHAD Scheme. The details of the same are annexed.

(d) to (f): The Ministry of Tourism has not sanctioned any projects in Shahjahanpur and Misrikh Parliamentary Constituencies in Uttar Pradesh under its PRASHAD Scheme. However, it has sanctioned projects

“Development of Ahar-Aligarh-Kasganj-Sarosi (Unnao)-Pratapgarh-Kausambi-Mirzapur-Gorakhpur-Domariyaganj-Basti-Barabanki-Azamgarh-Kairana- Baghpat- Shahjahanpur” and “Development of Bijnor- Meerut-Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh-Bhadohi” at a cost of Rs.71.91 Crore and Rs.67.51 Crore, respectively, under spiritual circuit Theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme. Both projects stand completed.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†362. ANSWERED ON 05.02.2024 REGARDING COVERAGE OF RELIGIOUS SITES UNDER PRASHAD SCHEME BY SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR AND SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT****Details of the projects sanctioned under PRASHAD Scheme.****(Rs. in Crore)**

State/UT	S. No.	Project Name	Sanction Year	Approved Cost	Physical Progress %
Andhra Pradesh	1	Development of Pilgrim Amenities at Amaravati	2015-16	27.77	100%
	2	Development of Srisailam Temple	2017-18	43.08	100%
	3	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narsimha Swami Vari Devasthanam at Simhachalam	2022-23	54.04	5%
Arunachal Pradesh	4	Development of Parshuram Kund	2020-21	37.88	37%
Assam	5	Development of Pilgrimage amenities at Kamakhya Temple	2015-16	29.80	100%
Bihar	6	Development at Patna Sahib	2015-16	41.54	100%
	7	Development of basic facilities at Vishnupad temple	2014-15	4.27	100%
Chhattisgarh	8	Development of Pilgrimage amenities at Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple	2020-21	48.44	72%
Gujarat	9	Development of Dwarka	2016-17	13.08	100%
	10	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Somnath	2016-17	45.36	100%
	11	Development of Promenade at Somnath	2018-19	47.12	100%
	12	Development of Pilgrim	2021-22	49.97	0%

		Plaza with Queue management complex at Somnath Gujarat			
	13	Development of Pilgrimage Facilities at Ambaji Temple	2022-23	50.00	15%
Haryana	14	Development of Mata Mansa Devi Temple and Nada Saheb Gurudwara	2019-20	48.53	72%
Jammu and Kashmir	15	Development at Hazratbal Shrine	2016-17	40.46	90%
Jharkhand	16	Development of Baba Baidya Nath Dham	2018-19	36.79	100%
Karnataka	17	Development of Pilgrimage Amenities at Sri Chamundeshwari Devi Temple	2023-24	45.71	0%
Kerala	18	Development at Guruvayur Temple	2016-17	45.19	100%
Madhya Pradesh	19	Development of Amarkantak	2020-21	49.99	42%
	20	Development of Omkareshwar	2017-18	43.93	100%
Maharashtra	21	Development of Trimbakeshwar	2017-18	52.92	82%
Meghalaya	22	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Nongswalia Church, Nartiang Shakti Peeth, Aitnar Pool and Charantala Kali Temple	2020-21	29.29	80%
Mizoram	23	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism at Chite Vang, Zuangtai, Reiek and Aizawl	2022-23	44.89	3%
Nagaland	24	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure at Molungkimong, Noksen Church, Aizuto, Wokha and Kohima	2018-19	25.26	81%
	25	Development of	2022-23	18.18	21%

		Pilgrimage Tourism Infrastructure at Zunheboto			
Odisha	26	Infrastructure Development at Puri	2014-15	50.00	27%
Punjab	27	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	2015-16	6.40	100%
	28	Development of Chamkaur Sahib	2021-22	31.57	47%
Rajasthan	29	Integrated Development of Pushkar/Ajmer	2015-16	32.64	92%
Sikkim	30	Development of Pilgrimage Facilitation at Four Patron Saints, Yuksom	2020-21	33.32	87%
Tamil Nadu	31	Development of Kanchipuram	2016-17	13.99	100%
	32	Development of Velankanni	2016-17	4.86	100%
Telangana	33	Development of Jogulamba Devi Temple	2020-21	38.90	85%
	34	Development of Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism Infrastructure at Rudreshwara (Ramappa) Temple	2022-23	62.00	8%
	35	Development of Pilgrimage Infrastructure at Bhadrachalam	2022-23	41.38	10%
Tripura	36	Development of Tripura Sundari Temple	2020-21	37.80	67%
Uttar Pradesh	37	Development of Varanasi -Phase -I	2015-16	18.73	100%
	38	Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as Mega Tourist Circuit (Ph-II)	2014-15	10.98	100%
	39	Development of River Cruise Tourism at Varanasi	2017-18	9.02	100%
	40	Construction of Tourist Facilitation Centre at Vrindavan	2014-15	9.36	100%

	41	Development of Varanasi – Phase II	2017-18	44.60	100%
	42	Development of Infrastructure facilities at Govardhan	2018-19	37.59	94%
Uttarakhand	43	Integrated Development of Kedarnath	2015-16	34.77	100%
	44	Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage Facilitation in Badrinath Ji Dham	2018-19	56.15	62%
	45	Augmentation of Pilgrimage Infrastructure Facilities at Gangotri and Yamunotri Dham	2021-22	54.36	20%
West Bengal	46	Development of Belur Math	2016-17	30.03	92%
		Total		1631.93	
