

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*8
ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024**

**PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF CULTURAL
HERITAGE OF TRIBALS**

***8 SMT. POONAMBEN HEMATBHAI MAADAM:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to promote Tribal Home Stays as a means to boost tourism;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government is taking steps to preserve and promote the cultural heritage of tribal communities; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*8 ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024 REGARDING PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE OF TRIBALS RAISED BY SMT. POONAMBEN HEMATBHAI MAADAM

(a) to (d): Yes, Government has approved the initiative to develop tribal home-stays under Swadesh Darshan scheme of the Ministry of Tourism as part of 'Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan'. The said intervention includes development of 1000 homestays with support of upto Rs.5 Lakh per unit (for new construction), upto Rs.3 Lakhs (renovation) and Rs.5 lakh for village community requirement.

The Ministry of Tourism under its ongoing scheme of Swadesh Darshan sanctioned 76 projects in the country for developing tourism facilities at destinations for Rs.5287.90 Crore which includes 4 projects sanctioned under Tribal Circuit theme for Rs.371.47 Crore. The list of the projects sanctioned under Tribal Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme is annexed. The Ministry of Tourism has now 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 & tourist-centric approach and has sanctioned 34 projects for Rs.793.20 Crore in the Country, which includes project 'Tribal Cultural Experience at Midway Retreat', Chumuoukedima, Nagaland for Rs.21.56 Crore.

In addition, the Ministry of Tourism as part of its ongoing endeavour promotes various tourism destinations and products of the country including heritage of tribal communities through promotional activities, events, website, social media promotions etc.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*8 ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024 REGARDING PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE OF TRIBALS RAISED BY SMT. POONAMBEN HEMATBHAI MAADAM.**

The list of the projects sanctioned under 'Tribal Circuit' theme of Swadesh Darshan scheme is as under:

Amount in (₹ Crore)

S. No.	State	Year of sanction	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Nagaland	(2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Peren- Kohima- Wokha	97.36
2.	Chhattisgarh	(2015-16)	Development of Jashpur- Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur -Ratanpur- Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- NathiyaNawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh.	96.10
3.	Telangana	(2016-17)	Development of Mulugu- Laknavaram- Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls.	79.87
4.	Nagaland	(2016-17)	Development of Mokokchung- Tuensang-Mon	98.14
Total				371.47
