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Title : Need to provide financial assistance to develop Warangal and adjoining areas as Mega Tourist Circuit in Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI RAJAJIAH SIRICILLA (WARANGAL): I would like to draw the kind attention of the august House regarding the need to develop Warangal as tourism destination area in Andhra Pradesh.

As we all know India has several historical and cultural heritages. Tourism and value addition is becoming the order of the day. Tourism contributes substantial amount in our growth. There are several Historical monuments, cultural heritages, Lakes and Wild life sanctuaries in my Warangal Constituency in Andhra Pradesh. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has identified certain popular historical destinations and submitted proposals to the Ministry of Tourism for consideration as mega tourism circuit. These are Fort Warangal, Thousand pillar Temple, Chanpur Mulugu Temple, Ramappa temple and Lake, Laknavaram Lake, Pakala Lake, Bammera (Saint Poet Pothana Samadhi Complex), Valmiki Temple and wildlife Sanctuary in Eturunaagaaram in Warangal City. It covers well established corridor of Hyderabad, Nalgonda and Warangal Districts of Andhra Pradesh. Every year huge numbers of visitors travel through NH-202 to Warangal. Except few popular temples, majority of destinations lack minimum basic infrastructure facilities and signages to reach the destinations. The existing facilities are not sufficient to meet the growing demand. The intervention of Tourism Ministry is the need of the hour. The development of this mega circuit not only brings out the historical ancient religious cultural heritage to the future generation but also provides employment and revenue.

I, therefore, request the Hon'ble Minister of Tourism, to kindly intervene in the matter and provide financial assistance to develop Warangal as a Mega Tourist Circuit at least in the remaining Eleventh Five Year Plan.

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