

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2270  
ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019**

**INTER-LINKING OF RELIGIOUS PLACES IN TOURISM CIRCUITS**

**†2270. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any action plan for developing the religious places in the country by connecting them in a tourism circuit;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

**(a) to (c): Ministry of Tourism under its Swadesh Darshan Scheme-Integrated Development of Theme Based Tourist Circuits is developing tourism infrastructure in the identified circuits, across the country, having tourist potential in a planned and prioritized manner. Under the scheme fifteen thematic circuits have been identified for development including themes covering all the religious/spiritual sites in the country, namely: Spiritual Circuit, Ramayana Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Tirthankar Circuit and Sufi Circuit.**

**The details of projects sanctioned under the above circuits are as follows:**

**(Rs. in crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/ Sanction Year</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amt. Sanctioned</b>
<b>SPIRITUAL CIRCUIT</b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>Kerala (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Sabarimala - Erumeli-Pampa-Sannidhanam in District Pathanamthitta</b>	<b>99.99</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Manipur (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit - Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple - Shri Gopinath Temple - Shri Bungshibodon Temple</b>	<b>53.80</b>

		<b>- Shri Kaina Temple</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Kerala (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Sree Padmanabha Arnamura-Sabrimala</b>	<b>92.22</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Bihar (2016-17)</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj - Dharmshala- Deoghar</b>	<b>52.35</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Shahjahanpur- Allahabad-Basti- Ahar-Aligarh- Kasganj-Sarosi-Pratapgarh-Unnao- Kaushambi- Mirzapur-Gorakpur- Kairana- Doamriyaganj- Bagpat- Barabanki- Azamgarh</b>	<b>68.39</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Bijnor- Meerut- Kanpur- Kanpur Dehat- Banda- Ghazipur- Salempur- Ghosi- Balia- Ambedkar Nagar- Aligarh- Fatehpur- Deoria- Mahoba- Sonbhadra- Chandauli- Mishrikh- Bhadohi</b>	<b>63.77</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Rajasthan (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Churu (Salasar Balaji)- Jaipur (Shri Samode Balaji, Ghatke Balaji, Bandheke Balaji)- Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)- Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)- Bharatpur (Kaman Region)- Dholpur (Muchkund) - Mehandipur Balaji- Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji)</b>	<b>93.90</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Puducherry (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Spiritual Circuit in Puducherry</b>	<b>40.68</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Bihar (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Mandar Development Hill &amp; Ang Pradesh</b>	<b>53.49</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Maharashtra (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad</b>	<b>54.01</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development of Jewar-Dadri- Sikandrabad-Noida-Khurja-Banda</b>	<b>14.52</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Kerala (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development Sivagiri Sree Narayana Guru Ashram- Arruvipuram- Kunnumpara Sree Subrahmanian- Chembazhanthi Sree Narayana Gurukulam</b>	<b>69.47</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Kerala (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development of Kasaragod, Wayanad, Kannur, Kozhikode,</b>	<b>85.23</b>

		<b>Palakkad, Mallapuram, Thrichur, Ernakulam, Idukki, Kottayam, Allaphuza, Pathananamithitta, Kollam, Trivandrum</b>	
<b>14.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development of Gorakhnath Temple(Gorakhpur), Devipattan Temple (Balrampur) and Vatvashni Temple (Domariyagunj)</b>	<b>21.16</b>
<b>RAMAYANA CIRCUIT</b>			
<b>15.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur</b>	<b>69.45</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Ayodhya</b>	<b>133.31</b>
<b>KRISHNA CIRCUIT</b>			
<b>17.</b>	<b>Haryana (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Tourism Infrastructures at places related to Mahabharata in Kurukshetra</b>	<b>97.35</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Rajasthan (2016-17)</b>	<b>Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand)</b>	<b>91.45</b>
<b>BUDDHIST CIRCUIT</b>			
<b>19.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar</b>	<b>74.94</b>
<b>20.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Srawasti, Kushinagar &amp; Kapilvastu</b>	<b>99.97</b>
<b>21.</b>	<b>Bihar (2016-17)</b>	<b>Construction of Convention Centre adjacent to Maya Sarovar on the western side at Bodhgaya</b>	<b>98.73</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>Gujarat (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Junagadh- Gir-Somnath- Bharuch-Kutch-Bhavnagar- Rajkot- Mehsana</b>	<b>35.99</b>
<b>23.</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Shalihundam-Thotlakonda- Bavikonda-Bojjanakonda- Amravati- Anupu in Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>52.34</b>
<b>TIRTHANKAR CIRCUIT</b>			
<b>24.</b>	<b>Bihar (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Jain Circuit: Vaishali-Arrah-Masad-Patna-Rajgir-Pawapuri-Champapuri</b>	<b>52.39</b>

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