GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4786 ANSWERED ON 22.07.2019

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN BRENG VALLEY

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to develop the Breng Valley with tourist spots like Kokernag, Dandipora, Daksum as a major tourist destination;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to develop these places as health resorts to promote health tourism in the valley;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to develop Chatabal Shangus as a tourist destination; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Identification and development of tourism sites is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/Union Territories. Ministry of Tourism under the schemes of Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD provides financial assistance to State Governments/UT Administrations/Central Agencies for development of tourism infrastructure and facilities in the country.

The projects under the above scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports,

adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.

Based on above criteria, Ministry has sanctioned funds for development of Tourist Facilities like Gender Based Toilets with Tourist facilitation services, Solid Waste Management, Log Huts, Cafeteria, Security Cabin, Landscaping and Beautification, pathways, Lighting etc at Chattapal, Kokernag and Daksum under the project "Development of Himalayan Circuit: Anantnag- Kishtwar-Pahalgam – Daksum - Ranjit Sagar Dam in Jammu and Kashmir" in 2016-17.
