



Development of Homestays

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The Ministry of Tourism during the financial year 2025-26 has launched 'Development of Homestays in Tribal Areas' as a sub-scheme of Swadesh Darshan under the Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan (PM-JUGA) for development of homestays in tribal areas.

The scheme envisages the development of homestays to tap the tourist potential of the tribal areas and to provide an alternate livelihood to the tribal communities by providing funding support up to ₹5 lakh for village community requirements, up to ₹5 lakh for the construction of two new rooms for each household, and up to ₹3 lakh for the renovation of existing rooms for each household.

Under the scheme, proposals from 17 States/UTs were received. Out of which 5 proposals i.e. from the State of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Uttarakhand and UT of Ladakh are approved for a total cost of ₹17.52 Crore. However, no funds have been released so far.

This information was given by Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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