

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3654
ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026**

TOURISM PROMOTION IN AMRITSAR

3654. SHRI GURMEET SINGH MEET HAYER:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of financial grants sanctioned, released and utilized by the Government for infrastructure and tourism promotion in Amritsar during the last five years;**
- (b) the specific details of funds allocated and projects completed under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PARSHAD) and Swadesh Darshan (SD) schemes to promote religious tourism in the said city; and**
- (c) whether any new tourism development proposals for Amritsar are currently under consideration or implementation by the Government and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (c): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and tourism products, including religious tourism destination is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Government (SG) /Union Territory Administration (UTA). However, the Ministry through its existing schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan (SD)', 'Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0)', 'Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD)' – a sub-scheme of SD2.0, and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' complements the efforts of tourism infrastructure development by extending financial assistance to the State Governments/UT Administrations including Punjab; subject to adherence to scheme guidelines, submission of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) by them, availability of funds, Government directions, inter-se priority etc.

In addition, Government of India under its initiative for ‘Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) – Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale’ scheme, has also provided financial assistance in the year 2024-25 to the States for development of tourism projects.

Sanctioning of new project under the above-mentioned schemes is a continuous process. The details of the projects sanctioned under SD, SD2.0, CBDD, SASCI and PRASHAD schemes in the state of Punjab including Amritsar are annexed.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3654 ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 REGARDING TOURISM PROMOTION IN AMRITSAR RAISED BY SHRI GURMEET SINGH MEET HAYER****(i) Details of Project sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in the State of Punjab:****(in ₹ Crore)**

S. No.	Circuit/ Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released/ Authorized	Amount Utilized	Physical Status
1.	Heritage 2018-19	Development of Anandpur Sahib - Fatehgarh Sahib - Chamkaur Sahib - Ferozpur - Khatkar Kalan - Kalanour - Patiala	85.32	81.05	81.05	Completed

(ii) Details of Project sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme in the State of Punjab:**(in ₹ Crore)**

S. No.	Destination	Name of the Experience	Sanction Date	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Authorized for Utilization	Physical Status
1.	Amritsar	Border Tourism Experience at Attari	20.08. 2024	25.91	2.59	Implementation Stage
2.	Kapurthala	Eco Tourism experience at Kanjli wetland	05.03. 2024	19.56	1.96	Implementation Stage

(iii) Details of Project sanctioned under Challenge Based Destination Development (CBDD) – a sub-scheme of SD2.0 Scheme in the State of Punjab:

(in ₹ Crore)

S. No.	Destination /Category	Name of the Experience	Sanction Date	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Authorized for utilization	Physical Status
1.	Rupnagar (Anandpur Sahib) (Spiritual Tourism)	Heritage Street-A Symbol of Peace and Harmony at Sri Anandpur Sahib	27.03.2025	24.90	2.49	Implementation Stage
2.	Ferozpur (Hussainiwala Border)- (Culture & Heritage)	Cultural and Heritage Strechat Hussainiwala Border	27.03.2025	25.00	2.50	Implementation Stage

(iv) Details of Project sanctioned under Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) – Development of Iconic Tourist Centres to Global Scale’ scheme in the State of Punjab:

(in ₹ Crore)

S. No.	Year of Sanction	Name of theProject	Sanctioned Cost	Amount Released for Utilization	Physical Status
1.	2024-25	Development of Heritage Street as a tribute to Shaheed-e-Azam, Sardar Bhaghat Singh at Khatkar Kalan in SBS Nagar	53.45	35.27	Implementation Stage

(v) Details of Project sanctioned under Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) scheme in the State of Punjab:

(in ₹ Crore)

S. No.	Sanction Year	Project Name	Sanction Amount	Amount Released	Amount Utilised	Physical Status
1.	2015-16	Development of Karuna Sagar Valmiki Sthal at Amritsar	6.40	6.40	6.40	Completed
2.	2021-22	Development of Chakraborty Sahib at Rupnagar, Punjab	30.52	23.80	23.80	Implementation Stage
