

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3609
ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026**

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN KASHMIR

3609. SHRI ABDUL RASHID SHEIKH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any Proposal for development of tourism infrastructure in Gulmarg, Tangmarg, Uri, Lolab, Bangus, Kalaroose and Gurez, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (b) whether the Government has proposed New Eco-tourism projects in Baramulla, Kupwara, Budgam and Bandipora districts?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (b): Development and promotion of tourist destinations and tourism products, including Eco-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 Jammu & Kashmir; subject to adherence to scheme guidelines, submission of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) by them, availability of funds, Government directions, inter-se priority etc.

The Ministry of Tourism has revamped the Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourism destinations in the country, following a destination and tourist centric approach.

Sanctioning of new project under the above-mentioned schemes is a continuous process.

At present, no proposal for development of tourism infrastructure in Baramulla, Kupwara, Budgam and Bandipora districts of UT of Jammu & Kashmir is under consideration in the Ministry of Tourism.

The details of the projects sanctioned under SD and PRASHAD schemes in the UT of J&K are annexed.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (B) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3609 ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN KASHMIR RAISED BY SHRI ABDUL RASHID SHEIKH**

(i) Details of Project sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in the UT of J&K:

S No.	Circuit/ Sanction Year	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned (in ₹ Crore)
1.	Himalaya n 2016-17	Development of Jammu-Srinagar-Pahalgam-Bhagwati Nagar - Anantnag-Salamabad Uri-Kargil-Leh	77.33
2.	Himalaya n 2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian- Pulwama.	81.60
3.	Himalayan 2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities - Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package	90.43
4.	Himalayan 2016-17	Development of Tourist facilities at Mantalai and Sudh mahadev	91.99
5.	Himalayan 2016-17	Development of Tourist facilities at Anantnag-Pulwama-Kishtwar-ahalgam-Zanskar Padum -Daksum -Ranjit Sagar Dam	86.39
6.	Himalayan 2016-17	Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla- Kupwara-Kargil - Leh	96.75

(ii) Details of Project sanctioned under PRASHAD Scheme in the UT of J&K:

S. No.	Sanction Year	Project Name	Sanction Amount (in ₹ Crore)
1	2016-17	Development at Hazratbal Shrine, Srinagar	40.46
