

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1186
ANSWERED ON 11.02.2019**

DEVELOPMENT OF THEME BASED CIRCUITS

1186. SHRI MALYADRI SRIRAM:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any study about the various policies which have been introduced to provide funding towards the development of Swadesh Darshan for integrated development of tourism based theme circuits and PRASHAD Scheme across the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SHRI K.J. ALPHONS)**

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism had entrusted the National Productivity Council to carry out evaluation of implementation of Swadesh Darshan and PRASHAD schemes in 2017. The National Productivity Council had submitted their report in June and July 2017.

Based on report, Ministry has carried out following mid-term correction in both the schemes:

- Engagement of Stakeholders at project sanctioning stage.**
- Change in funding Pattern to resolve the issue of parking of funds with the State Governments/UT Administrations.**
- Detailed Operation and Maintenance plan for assets created.**
- Revenue Generating Components like Accommodation, Convention Centers / Golf Course / Aquamarine Parks /Amusement Parks/Theme Parks have been removed from the list of admissible components under the schemes.**
