

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Development of Pandu Pindhara (Jind)

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Pandu Pindara (Jind) is a significant place from the Mahabharata period and if so, whether the same is a cultural heritage and holds people's immense faith in it;
- (b) if so, whether the said place needs/is proposed to be developed as it is a cultural heritage site and a place of public faith; and
- (c) whether the said place can be developed under any existing scheme along with details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) According to the legend, Pandu Pindara in District Jind is identified where the Pandavas offered *Pinda* to their forefathers. Archaeological Survey of India has not carried out any archaeological investigation at this site.

(b) And (c) The Ministry of Tourism under the "Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive" (PRASHAD) provides financial assistance to the State Governments and Union Territories for the development of tourism infrastructure at important pilgrimage and heritage destinations following the prescribed guidelines. Under the PRASHAD scheme, "Development of Mata Mansa Devi Temple and Nada Saheb Gurudwara" is sanctioned in Haryana at a cost of Rs 48.53 crore.
