

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA**

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Cleaning of Iconic Places

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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken a decision for cleaning of ten iconic places under the Swachh Bharat Mission;
- (b) if so, the funds allocated for the purpose and the names of such iconic places in the country including Punjab, Gujarat and Jharkhand, location-wise, State/ UT-wise;
- (c) the criteria for selection of these places;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to extend this cleaning drive to other tourist/religious places with large pot falls and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has roped in public sector companies such as NALCO and Hindustan Zinc to fund a part of its Swachh Bharat Mission, and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

(a) and (b) On pilot basis 10 iconic places have been identified to be cleaned up in 1st Phase. All the Stakeholders, who are responsible for upkeep of these iconic places, that includes the Local Administration, Tourism Department, Archaeological Survey of India etc. have been advised to prepare their plan along with expenditure to be incurred and sources/schemes from where the funds are to be dovetailed. State-wise, name of iconic tourist places to be cleaned is as under :

S.N. State Name of Iconic tourist places

- 1 Assam Kamakhya Temple
 - 2 Andhra Pradesh Tirupati Temple
 3. Jammu & Kashmir Vaishno Devi Temple
 4. Odisha Jagannath Puri Temple
 5. Maharashtra Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus
 6. Punjab Golden Temple
 7. Rajasthan Ajmer Sharif Dargah
 8. Tamilnadu Meenakshi Temple
 9. Uttar Pradesh Taj Mahal, Manikarnika Ghat, Varanasi
- Total 10

(c) These places have been selected based on cultural, historical, religious and touristic importance.

(d) Government has plan to clean 100 iconic sites in India. On pilot basis 10 iconic places have been identified to be cleaned up in 1st Phase.

(e) As part of making iconic places Swachh, NALCO and Hindustan Zinc have adopted Jagannath Puri Temple and Ajmer Sharif Dargah respectively.