

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.172
ANSWERED ON 03.02.2022

DEVELOPMENT OF KASHI VISHWANATH CORRIDOR

172 SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government inaugurated the Kashi Vishwanath Corridor that connects the temple to the banks of the river terming it a "symbol of Sanatan culture of India";
- (b) if so, the details and present status thereof;
- (c) steps being taken for constructing such corridors in other States where there are historic and ancient places/temples which are identified, State-wise; and
- (d) action plan worked out in this regard till date?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Shri Kashi Vishwanath Temple Expansion /Beautification Project of State Government & of Uttar Pradesh was launched in March 2019 and the first phase of the project
- (b) including dedicated corridor towards river Ganga has been completed and dedicated to public on 13.12.2021.
- (c) Under 'PRASHAD' scheme of the Ministry of Tourism, Central Financial Assistance is provided to the respective State Governments/Union Territories' Administrations
- (d) for development of pilgrimage and/or heritage tourism infrastructure at identified places, on receipt of suitable proposals from such State Governments/UTs in line with the scheme guidelines.
