

## Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) under Swadesh Darshan Scheme

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### Why in News?

*In the Union Budget 2025-26, the Ministry of Tourism has earmarked 4.3 % of the total scheme outlay under the Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) component of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.*

- **Swadesh Darshan Scheme (SD)**- It is a **Central Sector Scheme** to develop theme-based tourist circuits across India.
- **Launched in** - 2014-15.
- **Implemented by** - State Governments/UT Administrations.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Tourism.

*SD 2.0 for integrated development of theme-based tourist circuits through infrastructure, human capital, and destination management, in a sustainable and destination-centric manner.*

- **Tribal Components** - Tribal Area Sub Plan & Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan (PM-JUGA).

*PM-JUGA aims to drive inclusive, sustainable growth and empower tribal communities to overcome the basic infrastructure and socio-economic challenges by merging a few government schemes.*

- **Tribal sub plan (TSP)** - It is a dedicated component under swadesh dhrashan scheme, focuses on developing tribal areas, preserving their cultural heritage, and integrating tribal communities into the tourism value chain.
- **Objectives** - To ensures focused investment in Scheduled Tribes-dominated regions by facilitating cultural preservation economic upliftment, and inclusive tourism growth.
- **Recent Initiatives - Tribal circuit theme** - To enhance visibility of tribal heritage and integrate tribal communities into the tourism value chain, while supporting sustainable and regionally balanced development.
- **Home stays in tribal areas** - Development of Homestays in Tribal Areas under PM-JUGA, enhancing livelihood opportunities for tribal communities.

- Guidelines ensure support for technical training and upskilling of homestay owners.
  - **Target** - Development of 1,000 homestays in tribal areas.
- **Incredible India Tourist Facilitator Certification Programme (IITF)** - A digital initiative creating an online learning platform to create a pool of well-trained and professional Tourist Facilitators and Tourist Guides.
- It provides basic, advanced heritage and adventure spoken language and refresher courses for candidates.
- Fee exemption is given to SC and ST Candidates.

*No specific, independent impact assessment focused exclusively on SC, ST or OBC participation under Swadesh Darshan or Dekho Apna Desh.*

### **Quick facts**

#### **Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive (PRASAD) Scheme**

- It is a *Central Sector Scheme* by the Ministry of Tourism, Launched in 2014 -2015.
- The scheme focuses on developing and identifying pilgrimage sites across India to enrich the religious tourism experience.

### **Reference**

[PIB| Swadesh Dharsan Scheme](#)

