

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2555**  
ANSWERED ON 10.12.2019

**PROMOTION OF TOURISM IN TRIBAL AREAS OF WEST BENGAL**

2555. SHRI AHAMED HASSAN:

Will the Minister of **TOURISM** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any project to promote tourism in tribal areas of West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is planning to incorporate inclusive policy on tribal area tourism in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Tourism, under the Swadesh Darshan scheme is developing thematic circuits in the country in planned and prioritized manner. Tribal circuit has been identified as one of the thematic circuit for development under the scheme. The projects under the scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier. Ministry has not sanctioned any project under Tribal Circuit theme in West Bengal.

The details of project sanctioned under the Swadesh Darshan scheme in West Bengal and under the Tribal Circuit theme of the scheme in the country are as follows:

(Rs. In Crores)

Sl. No	Year of Sanction	Project	Amount Sanctioned
1.	2015-16	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren- Kohima- Wokha, Nagaland	97.36
2.	2015-16	Development of Tribal Tourism Circuit in Jashpur-Kunkuri- Mainpat- Ambikapur- Maheshpur -Ratanpur-Kurdar-Sarodadadar- Gangrel- Kondagaon- Nathiya Nawagaon- Jagdalpur- Chitrakoot- Tirthgarh in Chhattisgarh.	99.00
3.	2015-16	Development of Coastal Circuit: Udaipur- Digha-Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai-Henry Island in West Bengal	85.39
4.	2016-17	Integrated Development of Mulugu-Laknavaram-Medavaram- Tadvai- Damaravi- Mallur- Bogatha Waterfalls as Tribal Circuit in Telangana.	83.88
5.	2016-17	Development of Tribal circuit (Mokokchung-Tuensang-Mon) in Nagaland	99.67

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