

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1064  
ANSWERED ON 26.07.2021**

**Eco-Tourism Places**

**†1064. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI:**

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

- (a) the names of sanctuaries selected as eco-tourism places in the country along with the basis for such selection; and**
- (b) whether any sanctuary from State of Chhattisgarh is proposed to be selected as eco-tourist place as the percentage of forest area in the State is more compared to that of other States in the country?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a) and (b): Promotion and development of Tourism, including eco-tourism places, is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations. However, the Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance under Swadesh Darshan Scheme for development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities in the country, including Chhattisgarh. Recognizing the potential for the development of Eco tourism in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has identified “Eco Circuit” as one of the 15 thematic circuits under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.**

**The projects under the Swadesh Darshan scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Government/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. Submission of project proposal by the State Government and its sanctioning is a continuous process.**

**No proposal has been received by the Ministry of Tourism from the State Government of Chhattisgarh for development under Eco Tourism.**

**The details of the projects sanctioned under Eco Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme in the country are given at Annexure.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1064 ANSWERED ON 26.07.2021 REGARDING ECO-TOURISM PLACES**

**List of Projects sanctioned for development under Eco Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Ministry of Tourism**

**(in Rs. Crores)**

<b>State/Year of Sanction</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>
<b>Uttarakhand (2015-16)</b>	<b>Development of Circuit at Tehri- Chamba- Sarain around Tehri Lake.</b>	<b>69.17</b>
<b>Telangana (2015-16)</b>	<b>Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)</b>	<b>91.62</b>
<b>Kerala (2015-16)</b>	<b>Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi- Vagamon-Thekkady</b>	<b>76.55</b>
<b>Mizoram (2016-17)</b>	<b>Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl-Rawpuichhip- Khawhphawp- Lengpui- Durtlang Chatlang- Sakawrhmutuaitlang- Muthee- Beratlawng-Tuirial Airfield- Hmuifang</b>	<b>66.37</b>
<b>Madhya Pradesh (2017-18)</b>	<b>Development of Gandhisagar Dam- Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam-Bargi Dam- BhedaGhat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River.</b>	<b>94.61</b>
<b>Jharkhand (2018-19)</b>	<b>Development of Dalma- Chandil- Getalsud- Betla National park- Mirchaiya- Netarhat</b>	<b>52.72</b>

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