

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1754#**  
ANSWERED ON 03.08.2021

**PROMOTION OF ECO-TOURISM**

1754 #. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI:

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

- (a) whether Government has developed any concept of eco-tourism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of districts identified for the same in the country;
- (c) whether the State Governments are providing desired co-operation in promoting eco-tourism; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): Eco-tourism has been identified as one of the Niche Tourism areas by Ministry of Tourism for development in the country.

Promotion and Development of tourism, including Eco Tourism, is the primary responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance under Swadesh Darshan Scheme for the development of tourism related infrastructure and facilities in the country. 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 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. Submission of project proposals by the State Government and its sanctioning is a continuous process.

The details of the projects sanctioned under the 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) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1754# ANSWERED ON 03.08.2021 REGARDING PROMOTION OF ECO-TOURISM**

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

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

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