

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2332  
ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021**

**PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE ECO-TOURISM PROJECTS**

**†2332. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:**

**SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:**

**SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any measures to promote sustainable and environment friendly ecotourism projects in various States including Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Odisha;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there is any special project particularly for Sikar and Bharatpur districts; and**
- (d) the details of the activities involved under the said policy and the environment benefits likely to be obtained as a result thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a) & (b): 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 development of Eco Circuits in the country, including Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Odisha.**

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

**(c): No special project has been sanctioned in the State of Rajasthan including Sikar and Bharatpur districts for development under Eco Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.**

**(d): Various components such as Trekking paths, Canopy walks, Cycling pathways, Log Huts, Watch Towers, View Points, etc., have been implemented under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.**

**With the development of eco-tourism circuits, tourists will be made aware of ecology, nature and environment of the area.**

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**ANNEXURE****STATEMENT IN REPLY OF PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2332 ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021 REGARDING PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE ECO-TOURISM PROJECTS****PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER ECO-TOURISM CIRCUIT OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME****(Rupees in crore)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Year of sanction</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned</b>	<b>Amount Released</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba - Sarain around Tehri Lake.</b>	<b>69.17</b>	<b>65.71</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)</b>	<b>91.62</b>	<b>87.04</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>Development of Pathanamthitta-Gavi-Vagamon- Thekkady.</b>	<b>76.55</b>	<b>61.24</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl - Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui - Durtlang - Chatlang - Sakawrhमितuitlang - Muthee - Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield - Hmuifang</b>	<b>66.37</b>	<b>49.53</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>Development of Gandhisagar Dam - Mandleshwar Dam - Omkareshwar Dam - Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam - Bargi Dam - Bheda Ghat-Bansagar Dam - Ken River</b>	<b>94.61</b>	<b>79.70</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>Development of Dalma - Chandil - Getalsud - BetlaNational park - Mirchaiya - Netarhat</b>	<b>52.72</b>	<b>15.07</b>
<b>Total</b>				<b>451.04</b>	<b>358.29</b>

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