

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1096
ANSWERED ON 10.02.2022

ECO TOURISM DISTRICTS IN MAHARASHTRA

1096. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has developed the concept of eco-tourism district in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of districts identified so far for promotion of eco-tourism in the State of Maharashtra;
- (c) to what extent the State Government has been supporting to promote eco-tourism in various districts of the State; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): 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 of Eco tourism in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has identified “Eco-Circuit” as one of the thematic circuits under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The details of the projects sanctioned under the Eco Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme in the Country are given at the Annexure.

No project under the Eco Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme has been sanctioned for the State of Maharashtra.

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.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1096 ANSWERED ON 10.02.2022 REGARDING ECO TOURISM DISTRICTS IN MAHARASHTRA.

PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER ECO-TOURISM CIRCUIT OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME

(Rupees in crore)

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