

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 743  
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022**

**INCLUSION OF IDUKKI AND MALANKARA DAM UNDER SWADESH  
DARSHAN SCHEME**

**743. ADV. DEAN KURIAKOSE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State of Kerala requesting the inclusion of Idukki and Malankara dam under the existing Swadesh Darshan scheme;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has withdrawn the project of spiritual circuits under the Swadesh Darshan scheme allocated for the State of Kerala;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the Government has received any request from the State of Kerala to reconsider the above said withdrawal; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF TOURISM**

**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a) to (f): The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned the project for 'Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi- Vagamon- Thekkady' under Eco Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan for an amount of Rs.76.55crore which includes development of tourism related components in Idukki. The project is physically complete. No project under the scheme is sanctioned in Malankara.**

**The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 5 projects in the State of Kerala under Swadesh Darshan Scheme and include 3 projects under Spiritual theme.**

**One project 'Development of Spiritual Circuit: Kasaragod, Wayanad, Kannur, Kozhikode, Palakkad, Mallapuram, Thrichur, Ernakulam, Idukki, Kottayam, Allaphuza, Pathananamithitta, Kollam, Trivandrum in Kerala' was dropped for administrative reasons. No proposal of the State Government for revival of this project is under consideration before the Ministry of Tourism.**

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