

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †883
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022**

PROJECTS TO BOOST ECO-TOURISM

**†883. SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:
SHRI MITESH RAMESHBHAI PATEL (BAKABHAI):**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal/ sanctioned projects to boost Eco-Tourism in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT wise;**
- (b) the State/UT wise details of the steps taken by the Government to boost Eco-Tourism projects in different areas including Gujarat;**
- (c) the details of the Central Financial assistance released to different States/Union Territories during the last three years along with the funds spent in this regard, year-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has received proposals from different State Governments for the development and promotion of Eco-Tourism; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with its present status?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): Development and Promotion of tourism, including eco-tourism, is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/UT Administration.

Recognising the potential of eco-tourism in the country, the Ministry of Tourism has identified Eco Circuit as one of the fifteen thematic circuits for development under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme to promote eco-tourism in the country. The Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 06 projects under Eco Theme in Swadesh Darshan scheme, the state-wise details of which are at Annexure. The Ministry has not sanctioned any projects in State of Gujarat under Eco Theme however 3 projects under the themes of Buddhist and Heritage are sanctioned in Gujarat for Rs 178.95 Cr.

Presently no new projects are being considered under the Swadesh Darshan scheme.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 883 ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022 REGARDING PROJECTS TO BOOST ECO-TOURISM.****DETAIL OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER THE ECO-CIRCUIT THEME OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME.****(Amt. in crore)**

S. No.	Name of State	Name of Circuit & Year	Project Name	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. Released	Amt. Utilized
1.	Uttarakhand	Eco Circuit (2015-16)	Development of Circuit at Tehri-Chamba- Sarain around Tehri Lake.	69.17	65.71	69.20
2.	Telangana	Eco Circuit (2015-16)	Development of Circuit in Mahaboobnagar districts (Somasila, Singotam, Kadalaivanam, Akkamahadevi, Egalanpanta, Farahabad, Uma Maheshwaram, Mallelatheertham)	91.62	87.04	77.45
3.	Kerala	Eco Circuit (2015-16)	Development of Pathanamthitta-Gavi- Vagamon-Thekkady.	76.55	61.24	63.93
4.	Mizoram	Eco Circuit (2016-17)	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit at Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui - Durtlang - Chatlang- Sakawrhmutuait	66.37	49.53	49.53

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5.	Madhya Pradesh	Eco Circuit (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	77.55
6.	Jharkhand	Eco Circuit (2018-19)	Development of Dalma- Chandil- Getalsud- Betla National park- Mirchaiya- Netarhat	52.72	15.07	11.30
Total				451.04	358.29	348.96
