

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 227**  
ANSWERED ON 24.03.2022

**DEVELOPMENT OF ICONIC TOURIST SITES OF ODISHA**

227. SHRI PRASANNA ACHARYA:

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

- (a) the details of iconic tourist sites in the country which are to be developed into world class tourist destinations and whether it includes any tourist sites of the State of Odisha;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the State Government of Odisha has requested for inclusion of tourist sites of the State including Konark Sun Temple, Chilika Lake, Bhitarkanika National Park, Similipal National Park and Diamond Triangle Buddhist Circuit etc., in the list of iconic sites, if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA  
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DEVELOPMENT OF ICONIC TOURIST SITES OF ODISHA.**

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism has formulated 'Development of Iconic Tourist Destinations' scheme for development of 19 identified destinations. Konark in the State of Odisha is included in the list of identified destinations.

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