

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
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TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL AND ODISHA

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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of tourism development projects implemented by the Union Government in West Bengal including Jalpaiguri and Bolangir in Odisha;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of funds allocated for tourism development in West Bengal including Jalpaiguri and Bolangir in Odisha during the last three years;**
- (d) the details of new proposal for development of tourism circuits/projects in West Bengal including Jalpaiguri and Bolangir in Odisha; and**
- (e) the other steps being taken by the Government for development of tourism in North Bengal including Jalpaiguri and Bolangir in Odisha?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Tourism under its 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' schemes provides financial assistance to the States/Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism infrastructure in the country including West Bengal and Odisha. In addition, assistance is also provided for development of tourism projects under the scheme 'Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to Central Agencies'. Details of the projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism including for last three years under the above mentioned schemes in West Bengal and Odisha is given below.

(Rs in Crore)

S. No.	Scheme	Year of sanction	State	Name of the Project	Amt. Sanctioned
1.	Swadesh Darshan	2015-16	West Bengal	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai- Henry Island	67.99
2.		2016-17	Odisha	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara	70.82
1.	PRASHAD	2014-15	Odisha	Infrastructure Development at Puri, Shree JagannathDham – Ramachandi - Prachi River front at Deuli under Mega Circuit	50.00
2.		2016-17	West Bengal	Development of Belur	30.03
1.	CFA to Central Agencies	2019-20	Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and Assam	Development of Jetties at nine (09) main points of embarkation /disembarkation of River Cruise on National Water ways No. 1& 2	28.03 (This includes work at Kolkata in West Bengal also.)

The Ministry of Tourism has now revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible destinations following a tourist & destination centric approach. As of now, no project proposal for development has been received under SD2.0 and PRASHAD schemes from Government of West Bengal and for development of Bolangir in Odisha from Government of Odisha.

In addition, the Ministry of Tourism holistically promotes various tourism destinations and products of the country including those located in the States of Odisha and West Bengal.
