

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1422
ANSWERED ON 14.12.2023

DEVELOPMENT OF SEA BEACHES TO ATTRACT TOURISTS

1422. SHRI R. DHARMAR:

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

- (a) whether Government has made any proposal to develop sea beaches to attract tourists across the country, including Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the coastal States and the sea beaches which are being developed to provide adequate facilities for the tourists within Tamil Nadu;
- (c) the amount sanctioned for the purpose during the last three years for each of those sea beaches within Tamil Nadu;
- (d) whether Government has fixed any targets in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (e): Identification and development of tourist places is primarily undertaken by the concerned State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration however the Ministry of Tourism complements these efforts by providing them financial assistance under its schemes of 'Swadesh Darshan' and 'Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)' for tourism infrastructure development in the country.

Since the inception of Swadesh Darshan scheme in the year 2014-15, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 10 projects under Coastal Circuit theme including development works at sea beaches in the country including Tamil Nadu. Additionally under the PRASHAD scheme, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned 02 project in Tamil Nadu.

The detail of these projects including amount sanctioned, amount released and their physical completion status are annexed.

Further, the Ministry of Tourism has revamped its Swadesh Darshan scheme as Swadesh Darshan scheme 2.0 (SD2.0) with the objective to develop sustainable and responsible tourist destinations with tourist & destination centric approach and the Ministry of Tourism in consultation with the State Government of Tamil Nadu has notified 'Mamallapuram' & 'The Nilgiris' as destinations for development under SD2.0.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1422 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2023 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF SEA BEACHES TO ATTRACT TOURISTS BY SHRI R. DHARMAR

DETAILS OF COASTAL CIRCUIT THEME PROJECT UNDER SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME AND DETAIL OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED IN TAMIL NADU UNDER PRASHAD SCHEME

(Amount in ₹ crore)

SWADESH DARSHAN						
S. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released/ authorized	Physical Status
1	Andhra Pradesh	(2014-15)	Development of Circuit at Kakinada - Hope Island - Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary - Passarlapudi - Aduru - S Yanam - Kotipally	67.83	67.83	Complete
2	Andhra Pradesh	(2015-16)	Development of Nellore, Pulikat Lake, Ublamadugu water falls, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Mypadu Beach, Ramatheertham	49.55	49.55	Complete
3	Puducherry	(2015-16)	Development of Dubrayapet, Arikamedu China Veerampattinam, Chunnabmar, Nallavadu, Manapet, Kalapet, French Quarter, Tamil Quarter and Yanam	58.44	58.44	Complete
4	West Bengal	(2015-16)	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj- Bakhlai-Henry Island	67.99	65.07	Complete
5	Maharashtra	(2015-16)	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach & Creek), Devgad (Fort & Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort).	19.06	18.11	Complete
6	Goa	(2016-17)	Development of Sinqerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail.	97.65	97.65	Complete

7	Odisha	(2016-17)	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara.	70.82	67.28	Ongoing (93% Complete)
8	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	(2016-17)	Development of Long Island- Ross Smith Island- Neil Island- Havelock Island- Baratang Island-Port Blair.	27.57	20.89	Complete
9	Tamil Nadu	(2016-17)	Development of Chennai- Mamamallapuram - Rameshwaram - Kulasekaranpattinam - Kanyakumari	73.13	71.03	Complete
10	Goa	(2017-18)	Development of Rua De Orum Creek - Don Paula - Colva - Benaullim	99.35	99.35	Complete
PRASHAD						
11	Tamil Nadu	(2016-17)	Development of Kanchipuram	13.99	13.99	Complete
12	Tamil Nadu	(2016-17)	Development of Velankanni	4.86	4.86	Complete
