## Ministry of Tourism



## Promotion of Wildlife and Forest Tourism

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The Ministry of Tourism promotes India in a holistic manner, through various initiatives. As part of on-going activities; promotion of wildlife tourism in forest areas in the country, including Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, is also taken up. The Ministry of Tourism also regularly promotes wildlife tourism through its website and social media promotions.

In order to provide impetus for development of wildlife tourism in the country, Ministry of Tourism has formulated a National Strategy for Development of Ecotourism which was circulated to the State Governments / UT Administrations.

Ministry of Tourism under its scheme of Swadesh Darshan has identified thematic circuits for development, including Wildlife and Eco Circuits. These circuits cover National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries and Reserves in the country. The central financial assistance is being extended according to guidelines and based on proposals / detailed project reports received from the States and UT Governments. The details of the projects sanctioned under the Eco and Wildlife Circuits of Swadesh Darshan Scheme in various States/UTs is given at Annexure.

This information was given by Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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## **ANNEXURE**

The list of the projects sanctioned under Eco and Wildlife Circuits of Swadesh Darshan scheme is as under: -

Eco Circuit (Rs. in Crore)

| S.<br>No. | State/UT  | Circuit / Sanction Year   | Name of the Project                                                                          | Amount<br>Sanctioned |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.        | Jharkhand | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2018-19 | Development of Eco<br>Tourism circuit: Dalma-<br>Betla National park-<br>Mirchaiya- Netarhat | 30.44                |
| 2.        | Kerala    | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2015-16 | Development of Pathanamthitta- Gavi- Vagamon- Thekkady                                       | 64.08                |

| 3. | Madhya<br>Pradesh | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2017-18 | Development of Gandhisagar Dam- Mandleshwar Dam- Omkareshwar Dam- Indira Sagar Dam- Tawa Dam- Bargi Dam- Bheda Ghat- Bansagar Dam- Ken River                                          | 93.76 |
|----|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 4. | Mizoram           | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2016-17 | Development of Eco- Adventure Circuit Aizawl - Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui - Chatlang- Sakawrhmuituaitlang - Muthee - Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield - Hmuifang                 | 66.37 |
| 5. | Telangana         | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2015-16 | Development of Eco<br>Tourism Circuit in<br>Mahaboobnagar district                                                                                                                    | 91.62 |
| 6. | Uttarakhand       | Eco<br>Circuit<br>2015-16 | Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism, Adventure Sports, and Associated Tourism Related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination-District Tehri | 69.17 |

Wildlife Circuit (Rs. in Crore)

| S.<br>No. | State/ UT         | Circuit / Sanction Year        | Name of the Project                                                                                         | Amount<br>Sanctioned |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.        | Assam             | Wildlife<br>Circuit<br>2015-16 | Development of Manas–<br>Probitora– Nameri–<br>Kaziranga– Dibru– Saikhowa                                   | 94.68                |
| 2.        | Madhya<br>Pradesh | Wildlife<br>Circuit<br>2015-16 | Development of Wildlife<br>Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur-<br>Sanjay- Dubri-Bandhavgarh-<br>Kanha- Mukki- Pench | 92.10                |

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