

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1106
ANSWERED ON 15.12.2022

DEVELOPMENT OF TWELVE SHAKTI PITHS OF WEST BENGAL

1106. SMT. SHANTA CHHETRI:

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

- (a) whether the twelve Shakti Piths of West Bengal have been considered for development under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) and (b): The Ministry of Tourism (MoT) under its 'Swadesh Darshan Scheme'(SDS) has sanctioned 76 projects for development of tourism infrastructure in the Country. The projects under the scheme were identified in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations (UT's) and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier etc. Twelve Shakti Piths of West Bengal are not included in the projects sanctioned under SDS, however, this Ministry has sanctioned a project 'Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakhlai-Henry Island' for Rs.67.99 Crore in the State of West Bengal under SDS.
