GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 299 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2022

SUSTAINABLE TOURISM IN GOA

299. SHRI LUIZINHO JOAQUIM FALEIRO:

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

- (a) whether sustainable tourism is suffering in Goa due to increasing transportation of coal through ports and waterways, double tracking of railway lines and debris of garbage, tar balls and glass bottles thrown in tourist belt;
- (b) whether Government has got any proposal to remedy the situation; and
- (c) if so, the steps that have been taken so far and will be taken in future?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Government of Goa has informed that regarding debris of garbage, tar balls and glass bottles thrown in the tourist belt (only beaches), the Department of Tourism, Goa, have taken steps to keep the beaches clean by appointing an agency M/s Karnataka Commercial and Industrial Corporation Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore to provide Comprehensive cleanliness of the beach stretches to the State of Goa including collection, segregation, transportation and disposal of garbage etc. As part of the scope of work, the agency has deployed manpower/labour on the beach stretches and garbage being found on the beaches is collected on daily basis and handed over the same to Goa Waste Management Plant for further treatment/disposal.

Further, Ministry of Tourism has formulated National Strategy for Sustainable Tourism for promotion and development of Sustainable Tourism in the country, including Goa.
