

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *43
ANSWERED ON 09/12/2022

COASTAL TOURISM PROJECTS

*43. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the progress of four coastal tourism projects included in the Sagarmala Programme in the Alappuzha Parliamentary Constituency and if so, the details thereof including the current status of each of the said projects;
- (b) whether the Government has released/ sanctioned funds for completion of the above-said projects and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps for completion of the above-said projects in a time- bound manner; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with tentative deadlines for completion of each of the above-said projects?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *43 ANSWERED ON 9TH DECEMBER, 2022 RAISED BY ADV. A.M.ARIFF REGARDING "COASTAL TOURISM PROJECTS".

(a) to (d) Holistic Development of Coastal Districts is a part of the Sagarmala Programme of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways formulated to bridge the critical gaps in infrastructure in the coastal areas, stimulate local economy, attract investment and implement various development programme in a convergence mode to enrich and empower coastal communities.

After multiple consultations with the concerned state governments, State Maritime Boards, and other stakeholders representing coastal constituencies, the Ministry has identified a total of 567 projects with an estimated cost of Rs. 58,704 cr under the four focus areas of Coastal Infrastructure Development, Coastal Industrial Development, Coastal Tourism Development and Coastal Community Development.

In the state of Kerala a total of 63 projects with an estimated cost of Rs. 6,131 Cr have been identified. These projects are related to Fishing Harbours, Lighthouses, Silos/Warehouses, RoRo& Passenger Ferry and Skill Development etc.

In the district of Alappuzha a total of 4 tourism projects with an estimated cost of Rs.255.35 Cr. have been identified. These projects are related to Lighthouses and Maritime Museum. The list of projects along with status is provided at **Annexure I**.

For the projects identified in Holistic Development of Coastal Districts in Alappuzha, no funds have been released under Sagarmala Programme. However, State of Kerala has been requested to submit proposals for funding, if any, under Sagarmala Scheme. Government has reviewed the lighthouse projects in Alappuzha District. Projects of Government of Kerala has recently been reviewed on 24.11.2022.

Annexure I.

List of projects identified in Holistic Development of Coastal Districts in Alappuzha

S No	Project Name	Development Area	Implementing Agency	Total Project Cost (Rs Cr)	Status
1	Manakkodam Lighthouse tourism	Lighthouse tourism projects	Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships (DGLL)	1.00	At present the footfall at Manakkodam Lighthouse is minute. DGLL is developing sustainable eco-friendly structures, such as souvenirs counter, arts&crafts shop in eco-friendly structures, landscaping & gazebo, open cafeteria with no fire kitchen, movable seating arrangements, Children play area, etc
2	Alappuzha (Alleppy) Lighthouse tourism	Lighthouse tourism projects	Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships (DGLL)	4	A maritime Heritage Museum has been established departmentally at Alappuzha Lighthouse which exhibits heritage value of the Lighthouses and Maritime history of India. The lighthouse is provided with basic amenities for the visitors. In addition to the existing facilities, DGLL is developing facilities such as Information Centre/Souvenir counter/Art & craft shops/Ayurvedic Rejuvenation Centre/Coffee shop / outdoor seating /landscaping, etc.
3	Valiyazhikkal Lighthouse tourism	Lighthouse tourism projects	Directorate General of Lighthouses and Lightships (DGLL)	0.35	DGLL is developing sustainable eco-friendly structures, such as souvenirs counter, arts&crafts shop in eco-friendly structures,

					landscaping & gazebo, open cafeteria with no fire kitchen, movable seating arrangements, Children play area, etc.
4	Alapuzha Heritage Project (Maritime Museum)	Port & Maritime Museum	Tourism Dept, Kerala	250	The Govt. of Kerala has informed that Alapuzha Heritage Project has been sanctioned. It is having comprehensive project for linking backwaters, coastal and monuments.
