

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5226
ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023**

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN WEST BENGAL

5226. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR MONDAL:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total expenditure out of the budget for the development of tourism in West Bengal under the scheme Swadesh Darshan except Belurmath in this year 2022-2023;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tourism under its Swadesh Darshan scheme had sanctioned a project 'Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur- Tajpur- Mandarmani- Fraserganj- Bakkhlai- Henry Island' in West Bengal for an amount of ₹67.99 crore in the year 2015-16. An amount of Rs. 65.07 Crore was released by the Ministry of Tourism which has been utilized by the implementing agency. Under this scheme, funds are released in instalments as per the release procedure stipulated in the scheme guidelines and year-wise budget is not earmarked to the States/UTs.
