### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.140 ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019

#### **DEVELOPMENT OF BEACH TOURISM**

#### 140. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme to implement plans to improve beach tourism in the country keeping in view the vast coastline of about 7500 kms;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the outcome of such schemes;
- (c) whether the Government has laid down any guidelines or policy regarding promotion of beach tourism; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure improve the quality of the beaches in terms of cleanliness?

#### **ANSWER**

### MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c): Development and promotion of tourism including development of seashores and sea beaches is primarily undertaken by the State Govts/UT Administrations. However, Ministry of Tourism provides Central Financial Assistances for development of tourism infrastructure in the country under its various schemes.

The Ministry of Tourism has launched the Swadesh Darshan Scheme for Integrated Development of theme-based Tourist Circuits for development of tourism infrastructure in the country. The Coastal Circuit which includes sea beaches and seashores, is one of thematic circuits identified for development under this scheme. The list of Sanctioned projects is given at annexure.

Further, the Ministry of Tourism under the Assistance to Central Agencies Scheme has sanctioned projects in Maharashtra, the details of which are also annexed.

The projects are identified in consultation with the State Govts /UT Administrations and sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable detailed project reports, adherence of scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier.

(d): Considering the importance of environmental conditions and cleanliness of the surroundings (premises) at Tourist sites so as to create awareness Ministry of Tourism has framed its "Swachhta Action Plan" (SAP) involving awareness activities on cleanliness among tourists, school/college students, and stake-holders at tourist centres including beaches, pilgrimage centers and famous archaeological monuments".

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STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.140 ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF BEACH TOURISM.

## 1. List of Projects sanctioned under Coastal Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme

Sr. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amount Sanctioned (Rs.in Crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	2014-15	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World Class Coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh	67.84
2	Andhra Pradesh	2015-16	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri PottiSriramalu Nellore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Andhra Pradesh.	59.70
3	Puducherry	2015-16	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under "Swadesh Darshan" Scheme (Coastal Circuit)	85.28
4	West Bengal	2015-16	Development of Beach Circuit – Udaipur - Digha – Shankarpur – Tajpur – Mandarmani – Fraserganj – Bakkhlai -Henry Island in West Bengal	85.39
5	Maharashtra	2015-16	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit in Maharashtra under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	82.17
6	Goa	2016-17	Development of Coastal Circuit (Sinquerim-Baga,	99.99

			Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-	
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			Aguada Jail) in Goa.	
7	Odisha	2016-17		76.49
			Barkul, Satapada and	
			Tampara as Coastal	
			circuit in Odisha.	
8	Andaman &	2016-17	Development of Coastal	42.19
	Nicobar		Circuit (Long Island-Ross	
	Islands		Smith Island- Neil Island-	
			Havelock Island- Baratang	
			Island-Port Blair) in	
			Andaman & Nicobar under	
			Coastal thematic circuit of	
			Swadesh Darshan	
			Scheme.	
9	Tamil Nadu	2016-17	Development of Coastal	99.92
			Circuit (Chennai-	
			Mamamallapuram –	
			Rameshwaram – Manpadu	
			– Kanyakumari) in Tamil	
			Nadu under Swadesh	
			Darshan Scheme	
10	Goa	2017-18	Development of Coastal	99.35
			Circuit II: Rua De Orum	
			Creek - Don Paula -Colva -	
			Benaulim in Goa under	
			Swadesh Darshan Scheme	
			Total	798.32

- 2. The Ministry of Tourism under the Assistance to Central Agencies Scheme has sanctioned the following projects to Mumbai Port Trust in Maharashtra:
  - (i) Upgradation/modernization at International Cruise Terminal at Indira Dock, Mumbai for Rs.1250.00 Lakh during 2017-2018.
  - (ii) Development of Kanoji Angre Lighthouse for Rs.1500.00 Lakh during 2016- 2017.

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