

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3425  
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2019**

**RURAL TOURISM CLUSTERS AND PARKS IN MAHARASHTRA**

**3425. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:**

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

- (a) whether there is a proposal to build rural tourism clusters and tourism parks to promote tourism at a large scale in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and**
- (c) the details and the number of such clusters and parks proposed to be set up in Maharashtra?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

**(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

**(a) to (c): Ministry of Tourism under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme is developing tourism infrastructure in identified circuits including Tourist Parks and Tourism Clusters across the country having tourism potential in a planned and prioritized manner. Rural circuit has been identified as one of the thematic circuit for development under the scheme.**

**The projects under the scheme are identified for development in consultation with the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations and are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, submission of suitable Detailed Project Reports, adherence to scheme guidelines and utilization of funds released earlier. Based on the above criteria, the details of projects sanctioned under Rural Circuit and in Maharashtra are as follows:**

**(Rs in Cr.)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State /year</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sanctioned Amount</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Bihar 2016-2017</b>	<b>Development of Bhitiharwa-Chandrahia-Turkaulia under Rural Circuit</b>	<b>44.65</b>

<b>2.</b>	<b>Kerala 2018-19</b>	<b>Development of Malanad Malabar Cruise Tourism Project under Rural Circuit</b>	<b>80.37</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Maharashtra 2015-16</b>	<b>Development of Sindhudurg (Shiroda Beach, Sagareshwar, Tarkarli, Vijaydurg (Beach &amp; Creek), Devgad (Fort &amp; Beach), Mitbhav, Tondavali, Mocehmad and Nivati Fort) under Coastal Circuit</b>	<b>82.17</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Maharashtra 2018-19</b>	<b>Development of Waki- Adasa- Dhapewada- Paradsingha- Chota Taj Bagh- Telankhandi- Girad under Spiritual Circuit</b>	<b>54.01</b>

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