

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1842
ANSWERED ON 14.03.2022**

SETTING UP OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF WATER SPORTS

**1842.DR. BEESETTI VENKATA ATYAVATHI:
SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:**

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the pre-requisites for establishment of National Institute of Water Sports in the country, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up National Institute of Water Sports in the country including in Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Sangli in Maharashtra as a centre under the Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra for encouraging aqua tourism and adventure in South India; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): National Institute of Water Sports (NIWS), Goa is a centre functioning under the Indian Institute of Tourism & Travel Management (IITTM), a central autonomous body under the Ministry of Tourism, for training and certification in water sports and related activities. NIWS, Goa is mandated to impart training in water related sports activities across all States and UTs. For opening of any centre of a central autonomous body there are factors including potential for tourism development, resource availability, viability, demand and other such factors and comparative advantage among various sites across States and UTs, branches of autonomous bodies are decided including at Vishakhapatnam and Sangli. No proposal has been received in the Ministry for setting up of National Institute of Water Sports in Vishkhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh and Sangli in Maharashtra.
