# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3585 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025

#### **National Coastal Scheme**

### 3585. SHRI Y S AVINASH REDDY

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds provided for Andhra Pradesh under the externally aided component and the non externally aided component of the National Coastal Scheme;
- (b) the number of projects approved for implementation under the said scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last five years;
- (c) the progress of these projects and the utilisation certificates submitted during the last five years, year-wise; and
- (d) whether new projects will be implemented under the said scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

- (a) to (d): National Coastal Mission (NCM) under the National Coastal Management Program is Central Sector Scheme with the following components:
  - i. Management Action Plan on Conservation of Mangroves and Coral Reefs
  - ii. Research & Development in Marine and Coastal ecosystem
- iii. Sustainable Development of Beaches under Beach Environment & Aesthetic Management Service
- iv. Capacity Building / Outreach Programme of Coastal States/UTs on conservation of marine and coastal ecosystem including beach cleaning drive.

The implementing agencies of NCM are the State Governments of Coastal States and Union Territory (UT) Administrations. The funds are released to the coastal States/Union Territories based on the proposals received from the States/UTs in this Ministry.

A sum of ₹2.22 crore was provided in FY 2020-21 for the development of environmental sound beach infrastructure and management services for Rushikonda Beach, Vishakapatnam. Rushikonda Beach has been accorded Blue Flag Certification since 2020.

Further, a total of Rs 2.6 lakhs was provided under NCM for beach cleaning cum awareness drive at Ramakrishna beach and Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao beach during FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25. The utilisation certificate for all the releases have been received.

This Ministry has not received any new proposal under NCM from the State of Andhra Pradesh.