



Promotion of Eco-Tourism

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Ministry of Tourism has identified Eco Circuit as one of the thirteen thematic circuits for development under Swadesh Darshan Scheme. The submission of project proposals by the State Governments/UT Administrations under Swadesh Darshan Scheme is a continuous process. The projects are sanctioned subject to availability of funds, liquidation of pending utilization certificates, submission of suitable Detailed Project Report and adherence to the scheme guidelines for creating tourist infrastructure facilities for public good.

The details of projects sanctioned along with funds released under the Eco Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme are given below. However, Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned two projects under the Coastal Circuit theme under Swadesh Darshan to State Government of Andhra Pradesh as detailed below:

(Rs. in Crore)

Name of project/Year of Sanction	Sanctioned amount	Released amount
Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World Class Coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh. (2014-15)	69.83	34.92
Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri Potti Sriramalu Nellore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Andhra Pradesh. (2015-16)	60.38	12.08

DETAILS OF PROJECTS SANCTIONED UNDER THE ECO-CIRCUIT OF SWADESH DARSHAN SCHEME

(Amt. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of State	Year	Project Name	Amt. Sanctioned	Amt. Released
1.	Uttarakhand	2015-16	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism, Adventure Sports, Associated Tourism related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake & Surroundings as New Destination-District Tehri.	80.37	58.33
2.	Telangana	2015-16	Integrated Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district.	91.62	41.33
3.	Kerala	2015-16	Development of Pathanamthitta - Gavi - Vagamon - Thekkady as Eco Tourism Circuit in	99.22	46.24

			Idduki and Pathanamthitta Districts.		
4.	Mizoram	2016-17	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit Aizawl -Rawpuichhip - Khawhphawp - Lengpui - Durtlang - Chatlang- Sakawrhmutuaitlang - Muthee - Beratlawng - Tuirial Airfield - Hmuifang”	99.07	19.81
Total				370.28	165.71

This information was given by Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent Charge) in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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