

Financial assistance for eco-tourism in the country

2463. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is giving any Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for projects especially focusing on Eco-Tourism in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the Central Financial Assistance given to States including the State of Tamil Nadu during the last three years, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) Development, promotion and implementation of tourism projects including Eco-Tourism, are primarily the responsibility of the respective State Government/Union Territory (UT) Administration. The Ministry of Tourism, however, provides Central Financial Assistance (CFA) for tourism projects including Eco-Tourism projects, identified in consultation with them, subject to availability of funds, inter-se-priority under its various schemes as per the guidelines.

(b) The list of projects focusing on Eco-Tourism for which Central Financial Assistance has been released by this Ministry to various State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, including the State Government of Tamil Nadu during the last three years and during current financial year up to 31st January, 2014 is given in Statement.

Statement

State-wise/Union Territory-wise details of Central Financial Assistance given by the Ministry of Tourism during the last three years & current financial year (Upto 31st January, 2014) for projects focusing on eco-tourism

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Year	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh			
1.	2010-11	Development of Eco-Tourism Center at Ananthagiri Ranga Reddy District	404.51

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2.	2011-12	Development of Eco-Tourism Centre at Orvakallu, Kurnool District	486.35
3.	2013-14	Development of Eco-Park at Kakinada	437.00
4.	2013-14	Development of Eco-Tourism Project at Alisagar, Nizamabad District	383.27
5.	2013-14	Development of Eco-Tourism Facilities at Coringa, East Godavari District	474.42
Arunachal Pradesh			
6.	2010-11	Construction of Eco-Tourism at Tego Gamlin Village, West Siang District	370.65
7.	2011-12	Construction of Eco-Tourism at Hukanjuri under Deomali Sub-Division	487.93
8.	2012-13	Eco-Tourism at Kone Gipong area under Dambuk sub division of Lower Dibang Valley district	468.43
9.	2013-14	Development of Eco-Tourism Circuit at Loki-Partung-Taluaak in East Siang District (Tribal Area)	791.31
Chandigarh			
10.	2010-11	Infrastructure upgradation at Eco-Tourism park-cum Botanical Garden and creation and strengthening of Tourism Infrastructure at Patiali ki Rao and Lake Dhanas	313.32
Jammu and Kashmir			
11.	2010-11	Development of Eco Friendly Resort in between Nilgrath and Sarbal Village by Sonamarg Development Authority	242.13

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12.	2011-12	Creation of facilities for day camping, eco-tourism and pilgrim tourism at Gatha, Kanitop, Seoj, Padri and Pilgrim Destinations at Bhaderwah (PMRP) by Bhaderwah Development Authority	466.57
13.	2012-13	Eco friendly development of Satkudi (Base camp) to Vishansar (PMRO) by Sonamarg Development Authority	406.37
Karnataka			
14.	2010-11	Development of Eco-Tourism Resort at Khanapur Forest, Belgaum District	440.32
15.	2010-11	Pilikula Nisargadhama Eco Tourism Resort	419.65
Maharashtra			
16.	2013-14	Development of Dhapewada/ Paradsinga as Eco-Tourism and pilgrimage centre at Dhapewada, District, Nagpur	780.17
Manipur			
17.	2010-11	Eco Tourism Complex at Thangal, Senapati District	310.85
18.	2012-13	Ningthem Pukhri Imphal- Eco-Tourism complex, Imphal East district	413.52
19.	2013-14	Integrated Tourist Destination of Eco-Tourism Complex at Mata Mualtam Hyde out Park, Churachandpur district	489.17
Mizoram			
20.	2013-14	Development of Theme Park and Eco-Tourism at Lungleng	800.00

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Nagaland			
21.	2010-11	Integrated Tourist Eco-Adventure & Cultural Circuit, Changtongya - Mingkong - Noksen - Tobu-Shatuya	784.70
22.	2010-11	Integrated Tourist Destination: Eco-Adventure & Cultural Hub at Akito	434.70
23.	2010-11	Integrated Tourist Destination: Eco-Adventure Culture Hub Chizami	500.00
24.	2010-11	Tourist Travel Circuit-Vekohu-Changsu-Tiyi & Totsu-Tseminyu-Neithu Peak	665.76
25.	2010-11	Tourist Destination Naga Heritage-Phesama	479.73
26.	2013-14	Eco- Adventure and Culture Destination at Kuhuboto	500.00
Puducherry			
27.	2010-11	Development of Puducherry as a mega tourism circuit	4511.00
Rajasthan			
28.	2010-11	Infrastructure Development of Eco-tourism destination, Kumbhalgarh - Todgarh - Raoli- Ranakpur as a tourist destination & development circuit	594.55
Tamil Nadu			
29.	2010-11	Establishment of Butterfly Park in Arignar Anna Zoological Park, Vandalur	500.00
30.	2010-11	Development of Javadhi Hills in Thiruvannamalai District	338.15

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31.	2011-12	Development of Botanical Garden at Yercaud in Salem District	365.00
32.	2011-12	Park arrangement in Jedarpalayam of Namakkal district	456.00
Uttar Pradesh			
33.	2011-12	Development and beautification of Shiv Dam & Eco-tourism at Shahpur, Sultanpur	226.65
34.	2011-12	Development of Eco-tourism at Goverdhan (Part of Development of Mathura-Vrindavan as a Mega Tourist Circuit)	91.95* (3178.66) *component pertaining to eco tourism at Goverdhan
Uttarakhand			
35.	2010-11	Development of Eco-Tourism on Purola-Netwar-Harkidun Circuit	700.85
36.	2010-11	Development of Eco-Huts at Auli, District Chamoli	461.62
37.	2011-12	Development of Nirmal Gangotri Eco-Tourism Mega Circuit at Uttarkashi	5000.00
38.	2011-12	Development of Eco-Tourism at Sat Tal	494.79
39.	2011-12	Development of Eco- Tourism at Almora	490.80
40.	2011-12	Development of Eco Tourism at Abbott Mount, District Champawat	495.70
41.	2011-12	Development of Eco-Tourism at Lansdowne	495.95
42.	2012-13	Eco-Tourism Circuit (Bageshwar-Bairjnath-Loharkhet) in District Bageshwar	800.00

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43.	2013-14	Sports and Eco Tourism at Maneri, Uttarkashi	498.22
44.	2013-14	Development of Kuru-Nand kesari van/wan-Bedni Jheel Heritage & Eco Tourism Circuit-Integrated Circuit Development for Eco & Adventure Tourism, District Chamoli	800.00
45.	2013-14	Development of Nauti-kansawa-chandpur-Garhi-Sem Heritage & Eco-Tourism Circuit	800.00
46.	2013-14	Development of River Rafting Center, Eco Tourism and Adventure Center at Jaul Jibi, District Pithoragarh.	499.54
47.	2013-14	Development of Day Safari Adventure & Eco Tourism Circuit Sitabani, Ramnagar	799.32
48.	2013-14	Development of Dugadda-sendhikhal-Vatanvasa Eco-Tourism Circuit, District Pauri	799.78
49.	2013-14	Infrastructure development at Kausani-Someshwar-Tea estate as an Eco-Tourism and tea Tourism Circuit, district Almora	799.84
50.	2013-14	Development of River Rafting center and Eco-Tourism Destination, Tons River Valley, Mori District, Uttarkashi	499.02
51.	2013-14	Development of Ramnagar-kosi Eco-Tourism circuit between Ramnagar and Nainital	799.05
52.	2013-14	Development of Eco-Tourism around Holy Dargah of Hazrat Alauddin Ali Ahmed Al Sabir (Sabir kaliyar) near Haridwar	798.92

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West Bengal			
53.	2010-11	Destination tourism of Buxaduar (eco tourism project)	394.00
54.	2011-12	Destination Tourism Project at Sunderbans, 24 Parganas (south)	488.53

Harassment of tourists in the country

2464. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that there is increase in the number of incidents of harassment of tourists, especially foreign women tourists, in the country;

(b) if so, the details of such incidents which were brought to the notice of Government in the form of complaint to the local people; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to prevent such incidents faced by the tourists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. K. CHIRANJEEVI): (a) and (b) The 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. As such, prevention of crime, including crime against tourists/foreign tourists is the primary responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territories. The Ministry of Tourism does not compile data on crime against foreign and domestic tourists as such.

(c) The Ministry of Tourism has taken following steps in order to ensure safety and security of tourists, including foreign tourists:

- i. The Ministry of Tourism in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations had proposed to set up Tourist Police at prominent tourist spots. The State Governments/UT Administrations of Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu and Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha have deployed Tourist Police, in one form or the other.