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under the Ministry of Tourism) carries out training, certification and/or licensing for a variety of water-based leisure/recreation/adventure activities.

- (b) Under Skill Course and Professional Course, NIWS offers water-based activities *viz.* Windsurfing, Dinghy Sailing, Waterskiing, Kayaking, River Rafting, Tiller-controlled Power Boat Handling, Remote Control Powerboat Handling, Jet Ski Operation, Parasailing Operations.
- (c) Water-based activities are primarily undertaken at Caranzalem beach in Goa. Besides this, outstation training programme are also organized at the respective destinations/water bodies.
- (d) The Ministry of Tourism has provided financial assistance of ₹ 10.00 crore for setting up of the campus of NIWS, Goa during the last three years.

## New Tourist Circuits in the country

1264. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the present day Government had announced to establish 50 tourist circuits in the country;
- (b) if so, details of the funds allotted for this project and the deadline fixed, the detailed list of those 50 tourist circuits, as announced; and
- (c) how many tourist circuits have been established in the last three years ending 31 March, 2017?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (DR. MAHESH SHARMA): (a) For integrated development of Theme-Based Tourist Circuits in the country, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has launched the Swadesh Darshan Scheme in 2014-15. Under the scheme thirteen thematic circuits have been identified for development, namely: Heritage Circuit, North-East India Circuit, Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Krishna Circuit, Desert Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Eco Circuit, Wildlife Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit and Ramayana Circuit.

(b) and (c) As on 30 June 2017, Ministry has sanctioned 63 projects under the above identified thematic circuits for ₹5309.95 crore. The work on all the projects is going on. The completion time for the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme varies from 18 to 36 months.

The year-wise details of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan Scheme till 30 June, 2017 are given in the Statement.

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Year-wise details of the projects sanctioned under Swadesh Darshan scheme till 30 June, 2017

(₹ in crore)

Sl. N	o. State/UT	Name of the Circuit	Name of the Project	Amount Sanctioned
1	2	3	4	5
2014	-15			
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	North-East India Circuit	Development of Mega Circuit at Bhalukpong- Bomdila and Tawang in Arunachal Pradesh	49.77
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Kakinada Hope Island Konaseema as World Class Coastal and Eco Tourism Circuit in Andhra Pradesh	69.83
20	Total (2014	-15)		119.6
2015	-16			
3.	Manipur	North-East India Circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit in Manipur: Imphal-Moirang- Khongjom-Moreh	89.66
4.	Sikkim	North-East India Circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit linking Rangpo (entry)-Rorathang- Aritar-Phadamchen-Nathang- Sherathang-Tsongmo-Gangtok- Phodong-Mangan-Lachung- Yumthang-Lachen-Thangu- Gurudongmer-Mangan-Gangtok- Tumin Lingee- Singtam (exit) in Sikkim	98.05
5.	Uttarakhand	Eco Circuit	Integrated Development of Eco-Tourism Adventure Sports, Associated Tourism related Infrastructure for Development of Tehri Lake and Surroundings as Ne Destination-District Tehri, Uttarakhand	w

1	2	3	4	5
6.	Rajasthan	Desert Circuit	Development of Sambhar Lake Town and Other Destinations in Rajasthan under Desert Circuit	63.96
7.	Nagaland	Tribal Circuit	Development of Tribal Circuit Peren- Kohima-Wokha, Nagaland	9 <b>7.3</b> 6
8.	Madhya Pradesh	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Wildlife Circuit at Panna-Mukundpur-Sanjay-Dubri- Bandhavgarh-Kanha-Mukki-Pench in Madhya Pradesh	92.22
9.	Andhra Pradesh	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Tourism Circuit in Sri Potti Sriramalu Nellore under Swadesh Darshan Scheme in Andhra Pradesh	60.38
10.	Telangana	Eco Circuit	Integrated Development of Eco Tourism Circuit in Mahaboobnagar district, Telangana	91.62
11.	Kerala	Eco Circuit	Development of Pathanamthitta-Gavi- Vagamon-Thekkady as Eco Tourism Circuit in Idduki and Parhanamthitta Districts in Kerala	99.22
12.	Mizoram	North -East India Circuit	Integrated Development of New Eco Tourism under Swadesh Darshan- North East Circuit at Thenzawl and South Zote, District Serchhip and Reiek, Mizoram	94.91
13.	Assam	Wildlife Circuit	Development of Manas-Probitora- Nameri-Kaziranga-Dibru-Saikhowa as Wildlife Circuit in Assam	95.67
14.	Puducherry	Coastal Circuit	Development of Union Territory of Puducherry as Tourist Circuit under Swadesh Darshan Scheme (Coastal Circuit)	85.28
15.	Arunachal	North-East	Integrated Development of New	97.14

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	Pradesh	India Circuit	Adventure Tourism in Arunachal Pradesh	
16.	Tripura	North-East India Circuit	Development of North-East Circuit: Agartala-Sipahijala-Melaghar- Udaipur-Amarpur-Tirthamukh- Mandirghat-Dumboor-Narikel Kunja- Gandachara-Ambassa in Tripura.	99.59
17.	West Bengal	Coastal Circuit	Development of Beach Circuit: Udaipur- Digha- Shankarpur-Tajpur-Mandarmani- Fraserganj-Bakkhlai-Henry Island in West Bengal	85.39
18.	Chhattisgarh	Tribal Circuit	Development of Tribal Tourism Circuit in Jashpur- Kunkuri-Mainpat-Ambikapur-Maheshpur- Ratanpur-Kurdar-Sarodadadar Gangrel-Kondagaon-Nathyanawagaon-Jagdalpur-Chitrakoot-Tirthgarh in Chhattisgarh.	99.94
19.	Maharashtra	Coastal Circuit	Development of Sindhudurg Coastal Circuit in Maharashtra under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	82.17
	Total (2015-	16)		1512.93
2010	5-17			
20.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Circuit (Sinquerim-Baga, Anjuna-Vagator, Morjim-Keri, Aguada Fort and Aguada Jail) in Goa.	99.99
21.	Jammu & Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourism Infrastructure Projects in the State of Jammu and Kashmir.	82.97
22.	Telangana	Tribal Circuit	Integrated Development of Mulugu- Laknavaram-Medavaram-Tadvai- Damaravi-Mallur-Bogatha Waterfalls as Tribal Circuit in Telangana.	84.40

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1	2	3	4	5
23.	Meghalaya	North-East Circuit	Development of Umium (Lake View), U Lum Sohpetbneng Mawdiangdiang-Orchid Lake Resort, Meghalaya.	99.13
24.	Madhya Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Buddhist Circuit in Sanchi-Satna-Rewa-Mandsaur-Dhar in Madhya Pradesh.	74.94
25.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sabarimala-Erumeli- Pampa-Sannidhanam as a Spiritual Circuit in District Pathanamthitta, Kerala.	99.99
26.	Karnataka	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Circuit in Dakshin Kannada Distt. Uttar Kannada Distt. and Udupi Distt. in Karnataka.	95.67
27.	Manipur	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Spiritual Circuit-Shri Govindajee Temple, Shri Bijoy Govindajee Temple-Shri Gopinath Temple-Shri Bungshibodon Temple-Shri Kaina Temple, Manipur.	53.80
28.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit in Ahmedabad-Rajkot-Porbandar- Bardoli-Dandi in Gujarat.	93.48
29.	Haryana	Krishna Circuit	Development of Tourism Infrastructures at places related to Mahabharata in Kurukshetra, Haryana.	97.35
<b>3</b> 0.	Rajasthan	Krishna Circuit	Integrated Development of Govind Dev ji Temple (Jaipur), Khatu Shyam Ji (Sikar) and Nathdwara (Rajsamand) in Rajasthan.	91.45
31.	Sikkim	North-East India Circuit	Development of Tourist Circuit Linking Singtam-Maka-Temi-Bermoik Tokel- Phongia-Namchi-Jorthang-Okharey- Sombaria- Daramdin- Jorethang- Melli (Exit) in Sikkim.	95.32

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32.	Madhya Pradesh	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit (Gwalior- Orchha-Khajuraho-Chanderi-Bhimbetka- Mandu) Madhya Pradesh	99.77
33.	Kerala	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Sree Padmanabha Arnamula-Sabrimala as a Spiritual Circuit in Kerala.	92.44
34.	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Jain Circuit: Vaishali- Arrah-Masad-Patna-Rajgir-Pawapuri- Champapuri as Spiritual Circuit in Bihar.	52.39
35.	Bihar	Spiritual Circuit	Integrated Development of Kanwaria Route: Sultanganj-Dharmshala-Deoghar under Spiritual circuit in Bihar.	52.35
36.	Odisha	Coastal Circuit	Development of Gopalpur, Barkul, Satapada and Tampara as Coastal Circuit in Odisha.	76.49
37.	Nagaland	Tribal circuit	Development of Tribal circuit (Mokokchung-Tuensang-Mon) in Nagaland.	99.67
38.	Uttarakhand	Heritage Circuit	Integrated Development of Heritage Circuit in Kumaon Region-Katarmal- Jogeshwar-Baijnath-Devidhura in Uttarakhand.	81.94
39.	Jammu and Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Jammu-Rajouri-Shopian- Pulwama under Himalayan Circuit theme in J&K.	96.38
40.	Jammu and Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities under the Construction of Assets in lieu of those Destroyed in Floods in 2014 under PM Development Package for J&K	98.70

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1	2	3	4	5	
41.	Jammu and Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Mantalai-Sudhmahadev- Patnitop under Himalayan Circuit Theme in J&K.	97.82	
42.	Jammu and Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Anantnag-Kishtwar- Pahalgam-Daksum-Ranjit Sagar Dam under Himalayan Circuit Theme in J&K.	96.39	
43.	Jammu and Kashmir	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Gulmarg-Baramulla-Kupwara- Leh Circuit under Himalayan Circuit Theme in J&K.	96.93	
44.	Uttar Pradesh	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Buddhist Circuit- Srawasti, Kushinagar and Kapilvastu in Uttar Pradesh.	99.97	
45.	Uttar Pradesh	Ramayana Circuit	Development of Chitrakoot and Shringverpur as Ramayana Circuit in Uttar Pradesh.	69.45	
46.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Circuit (Long Island-Ross Smith Island-Neil Island- Havelock Island-Baratang Island-Port Blair) in Andaman and Nicobar under Coastal Thematic Circuit of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	42.19	
47.	Tamil Nadu	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Circuit (Chennai- Mamamallapuram-Rameshwaram- Manpadu-Kanyakumari) in Tamil Nadu under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.92	
48.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Spiritual Circuit (Shahjahanpur-Allahabad-Basti- Ahar-Aligharh-Kasgunj-Sarosi- Pratapgarh-Unnao-Kaushambi-	76.00	

1	2	3	4	5
			Mirzapur-Gorakpur-Kairana- Doamriyagunj-Bagpat-Barabanki- Azamgarh)	
49.	Uttar Pradesh	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Spiritual Circuit-II (Bijnor-Meerut-Kanpur-Kanpur Dehat-Banda-Ghazipur-Salempur- Ghosi-Balia-Ambedkar Nagar-Aligarh- Fatehpur-Deoria-Mahoba-Sonbhadra- Chandauli-Mishrikh-Bhadohi) in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	62.96
50.	Uttar Pradesh	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit (Kalinjar Fort (Banda)-Marhar Dham (Sant Kabir Nagar)-Chauri Chaura, Shaheed Sthal (Fatehpur)-Mavahar Sthal (Ghosi)- Shaheed Smarak (Meerut) in Uttar Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	41.51
51.	Bihar	Buddhist Circuit	Development of Buddhist Circuit- Construction of Cultural Centre at Bodhgaya, Bihar.	98.73
52.	Assam	Heritage Circuit	Development of Tezpur-Majuli-Sibsagar as Heritage Circuit in Assam under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	98.35
53.	Himachal Pradesh	Himalayan Circuit	Integrated Development of Himalayan Circuit in Himachal Pradesh under Swadesh Darshan scheme	99.76
54.	Mizoram	Eco Circuit	Development of Eco-Adventure Circuit Aizawl-Rawpuichhip-Khawhphawp- Lengpui-Durtlang-Chatlang- Sakawrhmuituaitlang-Muthee -Beratlawng- Tuirial Airfield-Hmuifang under Eco Circuit Theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.07

1	2	3	4	5
55.	Rajasthan	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Spiritual Circuit-Churu (SalasarBalaji)-Jaipur (Shri Samode Balaji, Ghatke Balaji, Bandheke Balaji)-Alwar (Pandupole Hanumanji, Bharathari)-Viratnagar (Bijak, Jainnasiya, Ambika Temple)-Bharatpur (Kaman Region)-Dholpur (Muchkund)-Mehandipur Balaji-Chittorgarh (Sanwaliyaji) in Rajasthan under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	93.90
56.	Gujarat	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage circuit: Vadnagar-Modhera and Patan in Gujarat under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.81
	Total (2016	5-17)		3191.3
201	7-18			
57.	Bihar	Rural Circuit	Development of Gandhi Circuit: Bhitiharwa-Chandrahia-Turkaulia in Bihar under Rural Circuit Theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	44.65
58.	Goa	Coastal Circuit	Development of Coastal Circuit-II: Rua De Orum Creek-Don Paula-Colva- Benaulim in Goa under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.35
58. 59.	Goa Gujarat		De Orum Creek-Don Paula-Colva- Benaulim in Goa under Swadesh	99.35 35.99

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61.	Puducherry	Spiritual Circuit	Development of Spiritual Circuit in Puducherry under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	40.68
62.	Rajasthan	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit.  Rajsamand (Kumbhalgarh Fort)-Jaipur (Nahargarh Fort)-Alwar (Bala Quila)- Sawai Madhopur (Ranthambore Fort and Khandar Fort)-Jhalawar (Gagron Fort)- Chittorgarh (Chittorgarh Fort)-Jaisalmer (Jaisalmer Fort) Hanumangarh (Kalibangan, Bhatner Fort and Gogamedi)-Jalore (Jalore Fort)-Udaipur (Pratap Gaurav Kendra)- Dholpur (Bagh-i-Nilofar and Purani Chawni)-Nagaur (Meera Bai Temple) in Rajasthan under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.	99.60
63.	Telangana	Heritage Circuit	Development of Heritage Circuit: Qutub Shahi Heritage Park-Paigah Tombs-Hayat Bakshi Mosque-Raymond's Tomb in Telangana under Swadesh Darshan Scheme	99.42
	Total (2017-	18)		486.04
	Grand total	(As on 30 Ju		5309.95

## Study to identify tourist concerns in the country

1265. SHRI AJAY SANCHETI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any study to identify tourist concerns in the country;
  - (b) if so, details thereof; and
  - (c) steps proposed to be taken in the light of findings of this study?