

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA**

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COASTAL TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for the development of coastal tourism in the country including Karnataka and Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action plan initiated/being initiated by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (KUMARI SELJA)

(a) to (c): There is no specific scheme of the Ministry of Tourism for development of coastal tourism. However, Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for development and promotion of tourism including coastal tourism under the following Schemes:

- (i) Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits
- (ii) Large Revenue Generating projects
- (iii) Assistance to Central Agencies for Infrastructure Development
- (iv) Information Technology
- (v) Fairs, Festival and Events

Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned the following projects for development of coastal tourism in 2008-09:

1. Development of tourism infrastructure at Cochin Port, Kerala for Rs.1450.00 lakh to Cochin Port Trust, Kochi.
2. Purchase of Ferries in Tamil Nadu for Rs.52.70 lakh to Poompuhar Shipping Corporation Ltd, Chennai