

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1148
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.06.2019

Blue Flag Certificates for Beaches

1148. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has started a pilot project to develop the Indian beaches according to the Blue Flag Standards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether beaches from the coastal States had been chosen for the Blue Flag certification under the project; and
- (d) if so, the details of beaches that have been selected?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) and (b): Under Integrated Coastal Zone Management Project Phase-I, Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC) has initiated Beach Environment & Aesthetic Management System (BEAMS) Programme to develop beaches according to the Blue Flag Standards in coastal States/UTs. Under this programme, various activities on pollution abatement, beach beautification, awareness programmes on environment education and safety & surveillance are undertaken in identified beaches to achieve Blue Flag Standards for the beach.

(c) and (d): Under BEAMS program, Ghoghala Beach in Diu, Shirvrajpur beach in Gujarat, Padubidri and Kasarkod Beach in Karnataka, Kappad Beach in Kerala, Mahabalipuram beach in Tamil Nadu, Eden Beach in Puducherry, Rishikonda Beach in Andhra Pradesh, Golden Beach in Odisha and Radhanagar Beach in Andaman & Nicobar Islands have been chosen for Blue Flag certification.
