Workshop on Sustainable Ecotourism

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Ecotourism in Odisha

- ODISHA IS BEING PROJECTED AS THE ECOTOURISM HUB OF INDIA
- MOU SIGNED BETWEEN FOREST AND TOURISM DEPARTMENT

- 36 NATURE CAMPS DEVELOPED, 9 UNDER PROGRESS
- ONLINE BOOKING
- LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT FOR 229 EDC/ VSS MEMBERS
- OVER 23 THOUSAND TOURISTS STAYED

ECOTOURISM































ECOTOUR ODISHA

Odisha is the land of farmed forests, mountains, valleys, waterfalls, gorges, soaring peaks with stunning wildlife in their own natural habitats. The important wildlife in State are Elephants, Tigers, Leopards, Hyena, Sambar, Spotted Deer, Wild Boar, Giant Squirrel, Crocodile, Jungle Cats, Hornbills, many migratory birds etc. A total of 110 species of reptiles including three crocodilian species, 20 species of amphibians, 479 species of mammals have been recorded so far in the State. For Nature tourists looking to experience wild landscapes in a sustainable way, from Camping to Eco-Resorts, from trekking to birding, from sightseeing to boating, Odisha offers something for everyone and the only thing surpasses the beauty of the State...is the experience of being here...













Development of Eco-tourism

Eco Tourism Policy

- The State Government have approved the Ecotourism Policy and the Forest Department has been declared as the Nodal Agency for development of ecotourism in the state.
- The Scheme named as "Development of Eco-tourism" has been approved by the Government with financial implication of Rs.56.00 crore for a period of five years from the financial year 2016-17 to 2020-21 for its sustainable development and promotion.
- At present, the scheme is being operated by the Wildlife Wing of Forest and Environment Department in Odisha.

Eco Tourism Destinations & Facilities for tourists

- The excellent spots outside the protected areas, in certain Districts such as Anjar in Keonjhar, Sidhamula in Nayagarh, Ansupa in Cuttack, Mahavinayak & Olasuni in Jajpur, Nrusinghnath in Baragarh, Pakidi hill, Saluapali & Lalsing in Ganjam, Manchabandha in Mayhurbhanj, Dhaltangarh in Jagatasinghpur and Saptasajya in Dhenkanal have been developed with providing facilities for minimal camping, trekking and nature exploration to attract nature lovers.
- Besides, **employment opportunities** have also been created by engaging local communities living in and around the areas for maintaining the facilities like nature trails, watch towers, interpretation centres.

Implementation Status during 2017-18

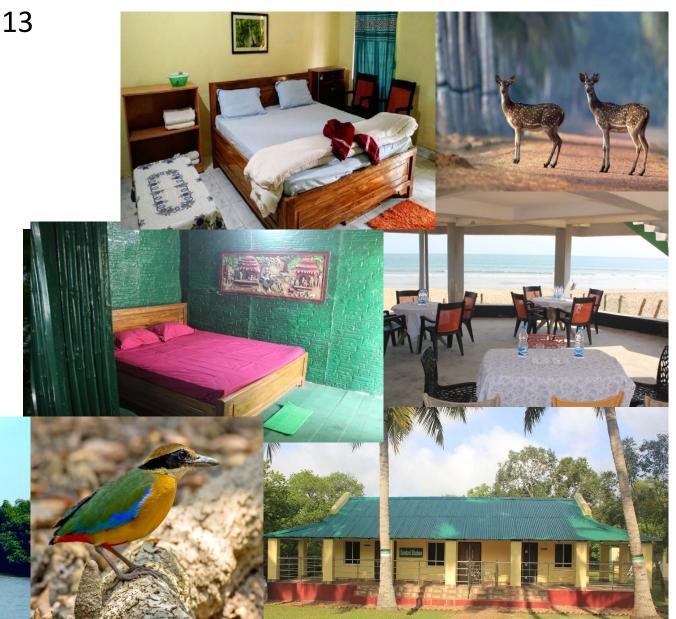
- During 2017-18 development of ecotourism activities i.e. creation of new infrastructure, renovation and maintenance of existing facilities and other amenities have been undertaken in 36 different locations across the State with financial assistance from State Budget and OEMF.
- At present the facility for night stay accommodation is available in 36 sites with 226 rooms to accommodate 497 persons. 218 number of Eco Development Committee / Vana Surakshya Samiti members have been engaged for livelihood support.
- Now the online booking facility is available for the above destinations through www.ecotourodisha.com.
- This facility was available with effect from 01.04.2016. During the current financial year till 31.12.2017. The total revenue i.e. Rs. 179 lakh has been collected from 7674 tourists.

Bhitarkanika Nature Camps

Dangamal Nature
 Camp - 16 rooms (13
 Ac, 3 Non-Ac)

 Habalikhati Nature Camp- 9 NonAc rooms

Gupti Nature Camp- 6
 AC rooms



Similipal Nature Camps

- Jamuani 14 (9 Ac/5 NonAc)
- Kumari 14 Non Ac rooms
- Ramtirtha (Jashipur) 10 (8 Ac, 2 NonAc)
- Gurguria 6 NonAc rooms
- Upcoming- Barehipani with 10 cottages



Puri – Chilika Nature Camps



Satkosia Nature Camps (6) & Satkosia Sands Resort



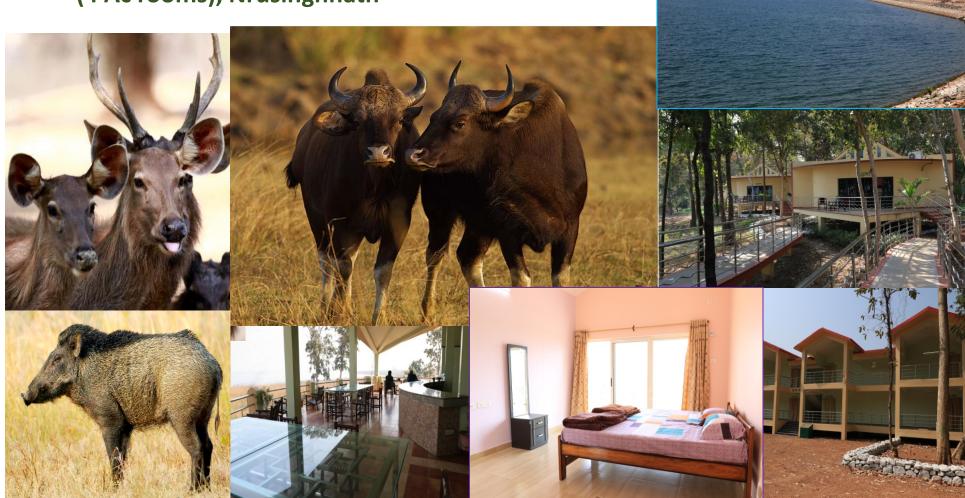
 Satkosia Sands Resort (Badmul)- 16 rooms (7 Ac, 9 NonAc)



Debrigarh Nature Camp- 14 Ac Rooms

 Wildlife watch, Birding, Boating, Trekking

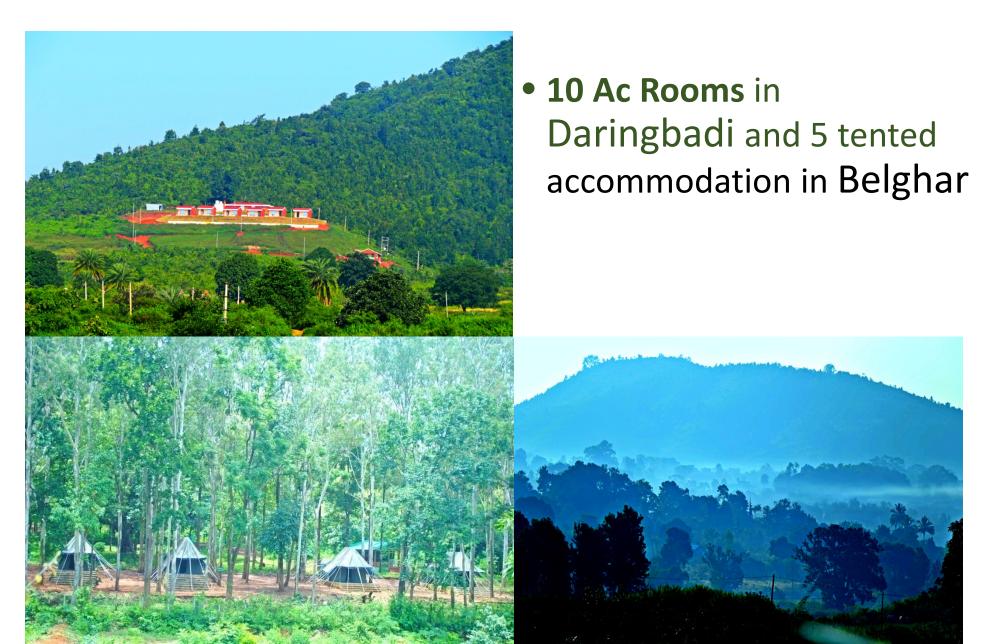
• Upcoming- Gandhamardhan Hills Nature Camp (4 Ac rooms), Nrusinghnath



Mandasuru Valley Nature Camp & Phulbani Nature Camp



Daringbadi-Belghar Nature Camps

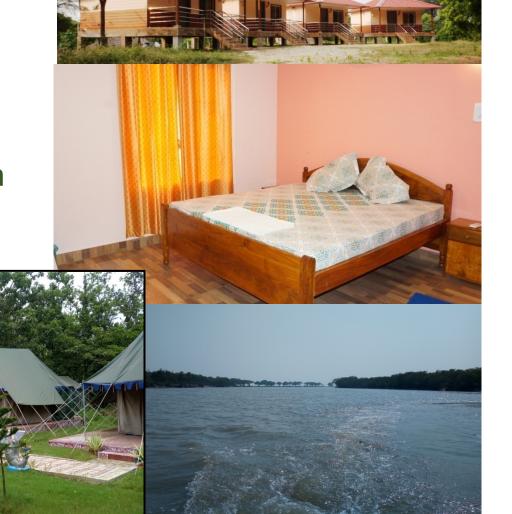


Bichitrapur - Rissia Nature Camps, Balasore

 Rissia 9 tented accomodation and 4 Ac rooms in Bichitrapur(Near Digha)

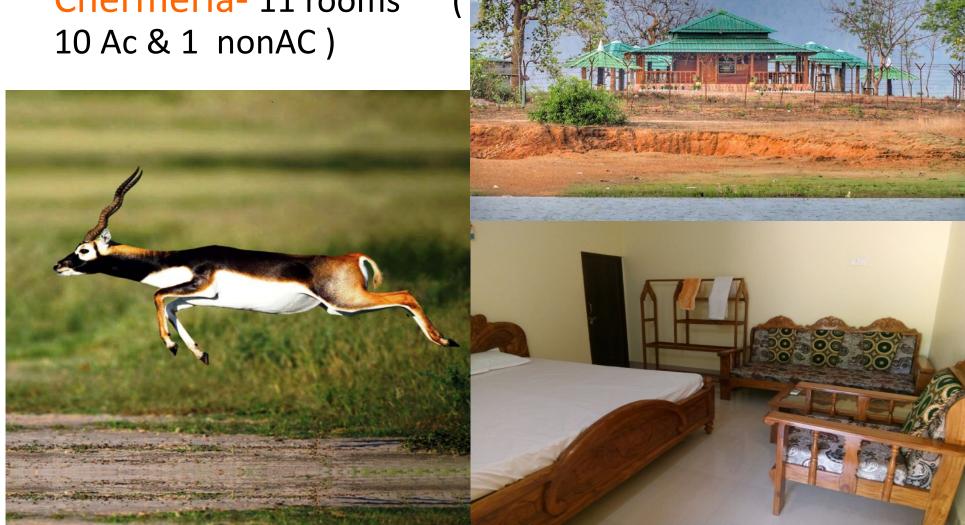
 Birding, Boating, Sports, Wildlife sighting, jungle trekking

 Upcoming- Chandipur with 4 Ac cottages



Blackbuck Nature Camps, Ganjam

 Bhanjanagar Dam Site, Saluapalli and Chermeria- 11 rooms 10 Ac & 1 nonAC)

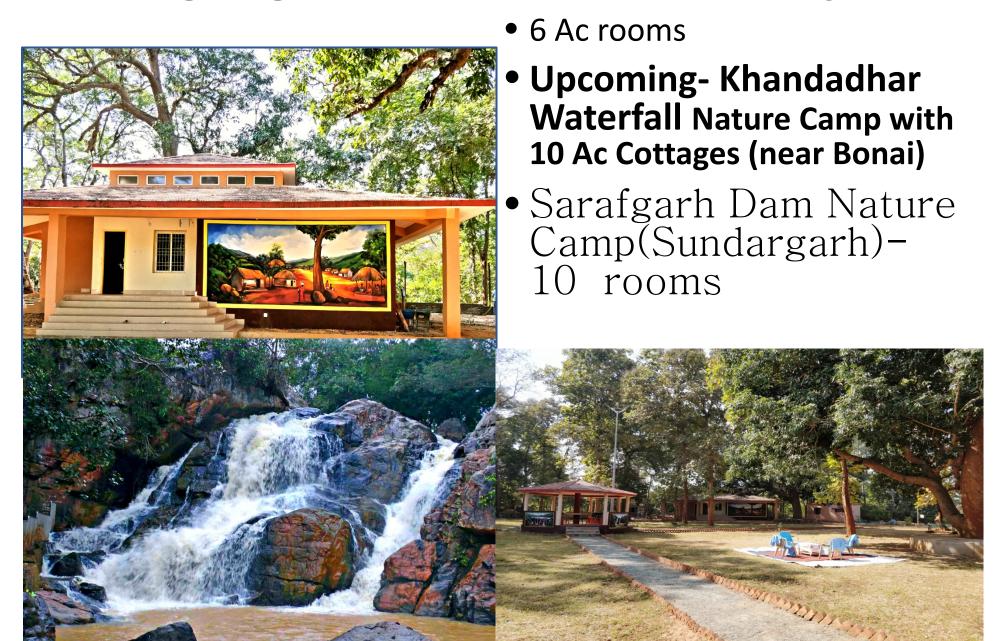


Giant Squirrel Nature Camp, Kaliamba

• Tree House & FRH - 3 AC Rooms



Sanghagra Nature Camp, Keonjhar



Chandaka (Deras- Godibari) Nature Camps 16 Ac rooms & Ansupa Nature Camp 5 Ac Rooms





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