

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 18.11.2010
ANSWERED ON**

FIVE HUNDRED YEARS OLD MUMMY FOUND IN HP .

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Smt. Bimla Kashyap Sood

Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALCULTURE be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Government is aware of 500 years old Mummy found in Lahol-Spiti district of Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the help provided to the State Government by Government for its maintenance and the steps taken for its protection? **A N S W E R**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) Yes, Sir. A buried body, dried in arid climate was a chance find in the year 1983 near the village of Giu, Spiti sub division in district Lahul and Spiti, Himachal Pradesh.

(b) The body is presently kept in a room of village temple under the physical possession of the local monks and villagers under the supervision of Indo-Tibetan Border Police unit. The condition of mummy is in good state preservation. There is no proposal to protect this site at this stage.