

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1766
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2023

PROTECTED MONUMENTS IN ODISHA

1766. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of protected monuments in the State of Odisha along with the location-wise details thereof;
- (b) the amount of funds spent on the safety and care of the said monuments during the last three years;
- (c) the revenue earned from these monuments during the said period; and
- (d) whether efforts are being made by Government to increase the revenue earned through these monuments and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH
EASTERN REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) 80 monuments/sites are declared to be of national importance in Odisha. Their location-wise details are available at <https://asi.nic.in>
- (b) Expenditure incurred on conservation, preservation, maintenance and security of these monuments and sites during the last three years is as under:

Year	Expenditure (amount in crore)	Security (amount in crore)
2019-20	5.30	2.99
2020-21	3.63	3.36
2021-22	8.22	3.42

- (c) The revenue earned from sale of entry tickets at five centrally protected ticketed monuments during the last three years is as under:

Year	Revenue (amount in crore)
2019-20	9.38
2020-21	2.30
2021-22	3.02

- (d) The steps taken include providing tourist facilities/amenities like drinking water, toilets, pathways, ramps, Wi-Fi, cafeteria, interpretation centre, brail signage, illumination, sound and light show, souvenir shop, etc. at monuments and sites and also monuments are kept in presentable condition to extend better visitor experience.
