

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2418**  
ANSWERED ON 10.08.2023

**NEGLECT AND DEGRADATION OF MANJARABAD FORT**

2418. SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Manjarabad Fort in Hassan district of Karnataka is the only complete star-shaped fort in India;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the fort is not featured in the ASI list of protected monuments, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the fort has shown signs of degradation, unchecked growth of plants, cracks, deflection etc., if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government has undertaken site-specific restoration for the fort, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) total budget allocated for the fort's maintenance during the last five years?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a)& (b) The Fort and Dungeons, Manjarabad in Hassan district of Karnataka, is the only star shaped for under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), Bangalore circle.
- (c)to (e) The fort is under regular care and maintenance by ASI. However, being situated in heavy rainfall area it is prone to seasonal vegetation growth which is cleared periodically. The underpinning and plastering of fort walls and reviving of moat are included in conservation plan of current financial year.
- (f) The budget allocated for the fort's maintenance during the last five years given is under:-

<b>Year</b>	<b>Allocation (amount in Rupees)</b>
2018-19	2,02,298
2019-20	3,17,987
2020-21	1,93,099
2021-22	6,20,288
2022-23	6,27,178

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