GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED OUESTION NO-810

ANSWERED ON – 27.07.2023

CSR CONTRIBUTION FOR CONSERVATION OF ANCIENT HERITAGE

810. SMT. PRIYANKA CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds directed towards conservation of ancient heritage and temples from the year 2018;
- (b) the amount of funds received under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for the conservation measures; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Ministry in consultation with the Ministry of Finance to encourage higher CSR contribution towards conservation of ancient heritage?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has 3696 Centrally Protected Monuments and Sites in the country. The funds directed towards conservation of ancient heritage and temples from 2018 are given below:

(Amount in Crore)

| S. No. | Year | Allocation | Expenditure |
|--------|---------|------------|-------------|
| 1. | 2018-19 | 406.38 | 405.02 |
| 2. | 2019-20 | 435.61 | 435.39 |
| 3. | 2020-21 | 260.90 | 260.83 |
| 4. | 2021-22 | 270.00 | 269.57 |
| 5. | 2022-23 | 392.71 | 391.93 |

- (b) The amount of funds received under CSR Scheme for the conservation measures through National Culture Fund (NCF) during last 5 years is given in Annexure-1.
- (c) The Government has setup NCF under charitable endowment Act, 1890 to mobilize extra resources through PPP for promoting, protecting and preserving India's cultural heritage. The aim of NCF is to establish and nurture partnerships in the field of culture and heritage with private and public sectors, government, non-government agencies, private institutions and foundations, and mobilize resources for the restoration, conservation, protection and development of India's rich, natural, tangible and intangible heritage.

Annexure-l

ANNEXURE REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.810 FOR 27.07.2023.

The details of funds received under CSR Scheme for the conservation measures through NCF

FUNDS RELEASED TO ASI -UNDER CSR-2018 ONWARDS

| S. | Project Name | Donor | Amount released to ASI |
|----|---|---|------------------------------|
| 1. | Conservation and Restoration of Vishnu Temple Bateshwar, MP. | Infosys Foundation | (Rs.) 1,90,00,000/- |
| 2. | Restoration & Development of centrally protected monument site at Deobaloda, Bhilai, Chhattisgarh | SAIL-Bhilai Steel Plant | 1,50,86,000/- |
| 3. | Upgradation of Sarnath Site Museum | Sony India Ltd. | 3,31,82,998/- |
| 4. | Conservation, development & maintenance of Purana Qila | National Building Construction Corporation (NBCC) | 2,97,90,410/- |
| 5. | Conservation and preservation of Ahom Group of Monuments at Sibsagar, Assam | ONGC | 2,21,00,000/- |
| 6. | Supply, Installation, commissioning and maintenance of Turnstile & RFID based access control system for the visitors at ASI monuments in Delhi, UP, Odisha, Maharashtra & Gujarat | IIFCL | 4,71,91,342/- |
| 7. | Conservation & restoration of Group of monuments and archaeological sites | NTPC | 14,50,569/- |
