

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2093**  
ANSWERED ON 21.12.2023

**MARTAND SUN TEMPLE IN KASHMIR**

2093. SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Martand Sun Temple in Kashmir is a protected monument;
- (b) whether ASI is protecting this monument;
- (c) whether it is a fact that this temple is in dilapidated condition and needs urgent renovation;
- (d) if so, the details of measures taken to protect this monument; and
- (e) the reason why the kind of measures taken to protect Modhera and Konark Temples have not been taken for Martand Temple in Kashmir?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) The Martand Sun Temple, is a protected monument and under care and maintenance of & Archaeological Survey of India.
- (b)
- (c) Regular conservation, preservation and maintenance of this monument is carried out as & per requirement and priority, which includes structural conservation, water tightening
- (d) and day to day maintenance.
- (e) The conservation issue varies from monument to monument, and therefore, the methodology of conservation and measures also vary accordingly.

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