

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1957
ANSWERED ON 12.12.2024

LEAKAGE, CRACKS AND DAMAGES TO TAJ MAHAL

1957. SHRI A. D. SINGH

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there were leakage, cracks and damages to Taj Mahal due to excessive rain in the region during the last monsoon;
- (b) if so, the extent of damage to the Taj Mahal; and
- (c) the actions been taken by Government to repair the damage and prevent further damage due to rain in future?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) This year, there was continuous rainfall for more than three days from 10th to 12th September, 2024 in Agra region. Due to this heavy rainfall, few water droplets were noticed on 12.09.2024 through the ceiling of main mausoleum of Taj Mahal. However, no serious leakage, cracks and damages were noticed during the monsoon season.
- (b) No serious damage has been found. The water penetrated through the minor joints. After
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- (c) detailed inspection using LiDAR and Thermal Scanning preventive measures were taken immediately by sealing the joints and gaps to stop water penetrations.
