GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*94 ANSWERED ON 13.02.2025

ENCROACHMENT ON THE BIRTHPLACE OF MUSIC MAESTRO TANSEN

*94 SHRI DIGVIGAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the persons responsible for encroaching upon the birthplace of music maestro Ramtanu Pandey also popularly known as Tansen, in the village of Behat located in the Gwalior district of Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) whether Government is making efforts to remove the said encroachment; and
- (c) whether Government has any plans for the upgradation and development of the Dhrupad Centre located in Behat, if so, the details thereof and by when this Centre is expected to be developed?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 94* FOR 13.02.2025.RAISED BY SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING ENCROACHMENT ON THE BIRTHPLACE OF MUSIC MAESTRO TANSEN.

- (a) & Birthplace of Music Maestro, Tansen in village of Behat District Gwalior, Madhya
 (b) Pradesh is not protected monument under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). However, as per information from State Archaeology & Museums, Government of Madhya Pradesh, there are already houses built around Tansen's house.
 - (c) At present there is no proposal with ASI or State Archaeology & Museums, Government of Madhya Pradesh for the upgradation and development of Dhrupad Centre located in village Behat.
