

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 34  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.01.2026**

**DISPLAY OF NIZAM'S JEWELS IN HYDERABAD**

**34. SHRI S NIRANJAN REDDY:**

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that 173 remarkable pieces of the Nizam's Jewels have been securely stored in the vaults of the Reserve Bank of India since 1995;
- (b) whether the Government recognises the deep cultural, historical, and emotional significance of the Nizam's jewels to the people and heritage of Hyderabad and the long-standing public sentiment that these artefacts should be displayed in the city of their origin;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to relocate the collection to Hyderabad for a permanent public exhibition; and
- (d) if so, the details of the plans and the timeline fixed for completion of such relocation?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM**

**(GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

- (a) Yes Sir.
- (b) Ministry of Culture recognizes the historical, cultural and heritage significance of the Nizam's Jewellery including the public interest associated with these artefacts.
- (c) and (d) As per the existing MoU with Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for security, insurance and conservation considerations, the Jewellery is under a high-value, high-security custodial arrangement with the Reserve Bank of India. However, no decision has been taken at present to relocate the collection for a permanent public exhibition in Hyderabad.

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