

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 666
ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026

CONSERVATION WORK AT BELAGAVI FORT

666. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of conservation works undertaken by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) at the historic Belagavi fort and the Kamal Basadi inside it;
- (b) the status of removal of encroachments and vegetation from the fort ramparts and moat area;
- (c) the measures taken to improve the tourist amenities like lighting, pathways and signage within the fort complex;
- (d) the details of coordination with the Cantonment Board regarding the maintenance of fort area under their jurisdiction; and
- (e) Government's plan to include the Belagavi fort in the heritage tourism circuit of the State?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Belagavi Fort is not under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). However, there are 04 Nos. of Centrally Protected Monuments within Belagavi Fort under the jurisdiction of ASI. The details are as given below:
 - 1. Old Jain temple outside the Commisariat Store yard but close to it at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi.
 - 2. Old Jain temple in the corner of the Commisariat Store yard at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi (Kamal Basadi).
 - 3. Remains of an old Hindu temple near the barracks at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi.
 - 4. Safa Masjid at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi.The details of conservation works executed in these Centrally Protected Monument at Belagavi Fort, Belagavi are given at Annexure I.
- (b) No encroachment has been reported in any of the 04 Centrally Protected Monument at Belagavi Fort. Time to time maintenance works are carried out by ASI to remove vegetation from these monuments.
- (c) These works within the Fort Complex are undertaken by the Directorate of Minorities, Karnataka, and Malanadu Area Development Board, Karnataka.
- (d) Maintenance of the Belagavi Fort is looked after by State Archaeology Department of Karnataka.
- (e) There is no such proposal under consideration.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 666 FOR 05.02.2026.

Details of major conservation/ restoration works executed in Centrally Protected Monument at Belagavi Fort, Belagavi.

S. No.	Name of Monument	Details of Work
1.	Old Jain temple in the corner of the Commisariat Store yard at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi (Kamal Basadi)	Water tightening to the leaky roof of the temple after removing the dead and deteriorated water proof course, pointing to flooring, the resetting of the front shikara, pointing work, electrification work etc.
2.	Safa Masjid at Belagavi Fort, Dist. Belagavi.	Water tightening to the leaky roof by providing proper slope after removing the dead and deteriorated water proof course, providing of Lime plastering to the merlons and parapet wall, pointing to the interior, electrification work etc.
