

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4199  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2016  
AGRAHAYANA 21, 1938 (SAKA)

DEVELOPMENT OF KALIBANGAN AS A TOURIST PLACE

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Kalibangan civilization of Mohenjodaro era in Rajasthan has been declared as a tourist destination;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to develop and promote Kalibangan and the Mausoleum of Laila and Majnu as tourist destinations; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to develop more tourist destinations in the border areas of the country with a view to promote tourism and improve the standard of living of the people in such areas?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a)&(b) Yes Madam, Ancient Site of Kalibangan is a Centrally protected site and being administered (conservation, preservation and maintenance) by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).
- (c) As a part of development efforts, archaeological museum at Kalibangan is being reorganised. The Mausoleum of Laila and Majnu is not under ASI.
- (d) There is no such proposal under consideration by ASI on centrally protected monuments/sites located in the border areas of the country.