

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2883
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2017
PHALGUNA 29, 1938 (SAKA)

VIRTUAL TOUR OF MONUMENTS

2883. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:
SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has tied up with Google company for 360 degree virtual tour of monuments in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the list of monuments, state-wise and monument-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that Andhra Pradesh is the only major State in India which does not have a circle of ASI and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether there is a proposal to set up regional circle or a mini-circle in Andhra Pradesh for the upkeep of historic monuments in State and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a)&(b) Yes, Madam. The Archaeological Survey of India and Google Ireland Limited a company incorporated under the laws of Ireland signed an Agreement on 25th September, 2013 to create standard-resolution, 360-degree, panoramic images (the "Site View Images"), giving users the ability to experience a "virtual tour" of those selected parts of the monuments/Site. 100 monuments have been covered under the scheme throughout the country. The State-wise list is at Annexure.
- (c)&(d) Archaeological Survey of India has established a new Circle with its Headquarter at Amaravathi, Andhra Pradesh by bifurcating its erstwhile Hyderabad Circle into Hyderabad Circle and Amaravathi Circle vide Notification No. 4-4/2015-Plg.& HRD, dated 7.6.2016. Both the Circles, i.e. Amaravathi, Andhra Pradesh and Hyderabad, Telangana at present are functioning from the existing premises at Hyderabad.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a)&(b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2883 FOR 20.3.2017

List of Monuments covered to take up for imagery collection in the country

Sl. No.	Name of State and Name of Monument
	Andhra Pradesh
1	Guntupalli Buddhist Caves, Hyderabad
2	Amaravati Buddhist Stupas and remains, Andhra Pradesh
3	Chandragiri Fort
4	Nagarjuna Konda Buddhist Stupas
	Gujarat
5	Harappan site, Dholavira
6	Kevda Masjid
7	Nagina Masjid, Jaunpur
8	Baba pyara caves
9	Khaprakodia caves
10	Modhera Sun Temple, Vadodara
11	Rani Ki Vav, Vadodara
12	EkMinar Masjid
13	Helical Vav
	Haryana
14	Surajkund
15	Sheikh Chilli's Tomb
	Himachal Pradesh
16	KangraFort,Kangra
17	Rock Cut Caves, Masroor, Kangra
	Jammu & Kashmir
18	Avanti Swami Temple Ruins, Avantipura
19	Raja Suchet Singh Palace, Ramnagar
20	Kiramchi Temple complex, Udhampur
21	The Leh Palace, Leh, Ladakh
	Karnataka
22	Keshava Temple
23	Lakkundi Temple (Brahma Jinalaya)
24	Chitradurga fort
25	ImbrahimRouza, Bijapur
26	Durga Temple complex, Bhagalkot
27	Gol – Gumbuz, Bijapur
28	Hoshang Shah's Tomb
29	Daria DaulatBagh
30	Lakulisha Temple, Badami

	Madhya Pradesh
31	Bagh Buddhist Caves
32	Rani Roopmati Pavilion
33	Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka
34	Rock Cut Jain Colossi, Bhopal
35	SasBahuKaMandir, Gwalior
36	TeliKaMandir, Gwalior
37	Gwalior Fort
38	Western Group of Temples, Khajuraho
39	Javari Temple, Khajuraho
40	Vamana Temple, Khajuraho
41	Jain Group Of Temples, Khajuraho
42	Chaturbhuja Temple, Khajuraho
43	Duladeo Temple, Duladeo Temple
44	Sanchi Buddhist Stupas
45	Jami Masjid
	Maharashtra
46	Ellora Caves, Aurangabad
47	Ajanta Caves, Aurangabad
48	Daulatabad Fort, Aurangabad
49	Aurangabad Buddhist Caves, Aurangabad
50	BibikaMakbara, Aurangabad
51	Pandulena Caves, Nasik
52	Elephanta Caves, Mumbai
53	Lenyadri Caves, Pune
54	Shanirwada Fort, Pune
55	Aga Khan Palace, Pune
56	Karla Caves, Pune
57	Raigarh Fort, Raigarh
58	Hirakota old Fort
59	Kanheri Caves
	NCT Delhi
60	NilaGumbaz
61	Tughlaqabad Fort
62	Sultan Ghari's Tomb
63	Humayun's Tomb
64	Red Fort
65	JantarMantar
66	QutubMinar
67	Safdarjung Tomb
68	Feroz Shah Kotla Fort
69	PuranaQuila
70	Sikander Shah's Tomb
	Rajasthan
71	Hill fort of Jaisalmer

72	Hill Fort of Ranathambore
73	Hill Fort of Kumbalgarh
74	Hill Fort of Chittorgarh
	Tamil Nadu
75	Krishnagiri Fort
76	Rajagiri Fort
77	MuvarKoil&AivarKoil
78	MuchuKundesvara Temple
79	Perumal& Shiva Temple
80	Sithannavasal Caves
81	Thirumayam Fort
82	St. George Fort, Chennai
	Uttar Pradesh
83	Jaunpur fort, Sarnath
84	Sarnath Excavated Site, Sarnath
85	Lord Cornwallis Tomb, Sarnath
86	Dharahara Mosque, Varanasi
87	Rajghat Excavated Site, Varanasi
88	Man-Mahal& Observatory, Varanasi
89	Orajhar Buddhist Site
90	KachchiKuti (Mahet), Sravasti
91	Jetavana Monastery (Sahet), Sravasti
92	The Residency, Lucknow
93	ShahiQuila
94	TajMahal, Agra
95	Agra Fort, Agra
96	Tomb of Itimad-ud-Daulah, Agra
97	FatehpurSikhri fort, Agra
98	Tomb of Akbar the Great, Agra
99	Mariam's Tomb, Agra
100	MehtabBagh, Agra