

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1276
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2017
SHRAVANA 2, 1939 (SAKA)**

VACANCIES IN MUSEUMS

**1276. SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA:
SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:
SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether posts in Government museums situated near archaeologically important excavation sites are vacant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the time by which the said vacant posts are likely to be filled up; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to keep the archaeologically important relics safe and preserved?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) to (c) Yes, Madam. The site Museums of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) including those at excavation sites, are maintained and administered by ASI Circle Offices. The staff for the museums are deployed by the Circle offices as per requirement. There are vacancies in ASI at various level, such as, Assistant Archaeologist, Clerical Staff and Multi-Tasking Staff. ASI has taken up with Staff Selection Commission (SSC) for filling up these vacancies. The vacancies will be filled up as and when recommendations are received from SSC.
- (d) The preservation and safety of the antiquities and other archaeologically important relics are ensured by the trained manpower of ASI and by deployment of round the clock watch and ward staff, security and surveillance system, fire alarms etc.