

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1498  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.03.2018**

**EXCAVATION PROJECTS**

**† 1498. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:  
SHRI TAMRADHWAJ SAHU:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has launched any excavation project in the country during the last five years and current year;
- (b) If so, the details and the outcome thereof , State /UT-wise including Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh;
- (c) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred in this regard during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether any material of archaeological importance has been found during these excavations; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND MINISTER  
OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA )**

- (a) Yes, Madam. Archaeological Survey of India has approved several excavation proposals to
- (e) during last five years. The details of the excavations carried out by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) during the last five years and current year are enclosed at Annexure-I The details of fund allotted/utilized for this purpose during the last five years are at Annexure-II

## ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY PART TO (A) TO (E) OF  
LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1498 FOR 05.03.2018DETAILS OF THE EXCAVATIONS CONDUCTED BY THE  
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA, DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS  
2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 AND 2016-17 AND CURRENT YEAR

Sl. No.	Name of the site	Objects/Articles recovered
<b>2012-13</b>		The common articles recovered from excavations are pot sherds of different periods, sling ball, stopper, lamps, knobs, hopscotchs, animal and human figurines of terracotta, sockets ring, seals/sealings, net sinker, games man, terracotta cakes, lid, phallus, spindle wheel, pestles, skin rubbers, tablet pebbles, bangles, coins, antimony rods, gold objects, miniatures pots, sprinkler, toys, beads of semi precious stone, and terracotta, bone/ivory stone and copper objects, lead objects, shell objects, bowls, bracelets, clamps, combs, dagger, decorated bone pieces, disc, ear rings, ear studs, javelin, etc
1.	Karanpura, District Hanumangarh, Rajasthan	
2.	Maner, near Danapur Army Cant, Didistrict Patna, Bihar	
3.	Ahichhatra (Ancient site KilaRamnagar), Village Ramnagar, District Bareilly, U.P.	
4.	Khirsara, District Nakhatrana, Gujara	
5.	Ancient Mound of MaharajkiKhedhi, Tehsil- Girwa, District Udaipur, Rajasthan.	
6.	Ancient site at TolaSalargarh, Site, Stupa & Monastery of the Sakyas at Piprahwa and Ancient site at TolaGanwaria, Distt. Siddhartha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	
7.	Itkhori, District Chatra, Jharkhand	
<b>2013-14</b>		
8.	Dangdongri, District Raisen, Madhya Pradesh	
9.	Karanpura, District Hanumangarh, Rajasthan	
10.	"Lauriya – Areraj", Distt. East Champaran, Bihar	
11.	Anlajodi, Tehsil. Kanas, District Puri, Odisha	
12.	Ahichhatra (ancient site KilsaRamnagar), Village Ramnagar, Tehsil Aonla, District Bareilly, U.P.	
13.	Pulicat, Distt. Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu	
14.	Remains of ancient fort locally known as Raja Bali Ka Garh, Sub. Babu Barahi, District Madhubani, Bihar	
15.	Sarnath, District Varanasi, UP	
<b>2014-15</b>		
16.	Kayar, Tehsil Wani, District Yavatmal (Maharashtra)	
17.	Binjore, District Ganganagar, Rajasthan	
18.	Rukministhan, South-West of Ancient Nalanda University, District Nalanda, Bihar	
19.	Archaeological mound Suabarei, The- Pipili, Distt. Puri, Odisha	
20.	Keeladi (located on the bank of Vaigai River), Taluk- Tirupuvanam, District Sivaganga, Tamil Nadu	
<b>2015-16</b>		
21.	4 MSR, Locality Binjore, District Ganganagar, Rajasthan	
22.	Rukministhan, South-West of Ancient Nalanda University, District Nalanda, Bihar	
23.	Archaeological mound Suabarei, PS- Pipili, Distt. Puri, Odisha.	
24.	Vadnagar, District Mehsana (Gujarat)	
25.	Keeladi, Taluk- Tirupuvanam, District Sivaganga, Tamil Nadu	
26.	Vangchhia, District Champhai, Mizoram	
<b>2016-17</b>		
27.	Binjore (4 MSR), District Ganganagar, Rajasthan	

28.	Urain (Uren), Locality Block Surajgarha (Suryagarha), District Lakhisarai, Bihar
29.	Keeladi Taluk-Tirupuvanam, District Sivaganga, Tamil Nadu
30.	Vadnagar, (Kapurji no Tekro, Gaon Tall locality-II, Pithori Dzarwaja & another other probable locality), District Mehasana, Gujarat
<b>2017-18</b>	
31.	RithiRajana, Near Gumgaon, Taluka Saoner, District Nagpur, Maharashtra
32.	Urain (Uren), Locality Block Surajgarha (Suryagarha), District Lakhisarai, Bihar
33.	Archaeological Mound Bharati Huda, Village Jalarpur, Tehsil Niali, District Cuttack, Odisha
34.	Kodumanal, Taluk Perunthurai, District Erode, Tamil Nadu
35.	Avani, Taluk Mulbagal, District Kolar, Karnataka
36.	Vangchia, District Champhai, Mizoram
37.	Excavation at Barnawa, including exploration and small scale excavation/ trial digging and sampling of nearby areas in surroundings of Hindon and Krishni Rivers in Baghpat, Locality-Barnawa and surrounding areas, Tehsil Binauli, Barot, District Baghpat, Uttar Pradesh.
38.	Purana Qila, Central District, New Delhi
39.	Pre-Historic Site-Janampet, District Badradri Kothagudem, Telangana.
40.	Vadnagar, District Mehsana, Gujarat

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STATEMENT SHOWING THE ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS FOR EXPLORATION/EXCAVATION  
DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS UNDER THE SUB-HEAD 030050 OTHER CHARGES.

(Rs. In lakh)

Financial year	PLAN	
	Allotment	Expenditure
2012-2013	310.00	276.22
2013-2014	305.00	296.93
2014-2015	405.00	400.12
2015-2016	570.00	465.00
2016-2017	505.00	340.01
2017-2018	520.00	388.99