

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.257  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5.2.2018

VANDALISM AT CULTURAL HERITAGE SITES IN DELHI

257. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of increase in rampant vandalism in several sites of cultural heritage in Delhi particularly in sites where public access is unrestricted including lodhi garden and hauz khas fort;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with action taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to enhance monitoring and vigilance in order to deter such activities and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to increase the number of attendants and volunteers to guard such sites; 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)&(b) No Madam. No such cases of vandalism have been reported in the recent past.
- (c)to(e) The Archaeological Survey of India deploys Monument Attendants, Private Security and CISF Guards wherever necessary based on the assessment of tourist inflow and threats, if any.