

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.277
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5.2.2018

CONSERVATION OF SWARNGIRI FORT

+277. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Swarn Giri Fort situated at Jalore, a protected heritage monument since 1956 is now on the verge of extinction because of formalities being done in the name of protection by the Archeological Survey of India and in the absence of proper maintenance and if so, the details thereof
- (b) the total budget allocated and the amount spent on the maintenance of the protected monuments in the country including Rajasthan during the last three years;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to develop said fort as a major tourism centre and to provide basic facilities in this fort; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering to construct approach road to reach this fort situated at height of two thousand stairs and make the access easy for tourists?

ANSWER

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

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) The Swarn Giri Fort is protected by State Government of Rajasthan.
- (b) The funds spent for conservation and maintenance of centrally protected monuments under Archaeological Survey of India in the country including Rajasthan is as under:

	Rupees in lakhs
2014-15	Rs.23651.95
2015-16	Rs.23744.16
2016-17	Rs.30193.22

- (c) The Government of Rajasthan has spent Rs.95.42 lakhs for restoration and conservation of Jalore Fort (Swarn Giri Fort) during 2012-13 and 2013-14.
- (d) No, Madam.