GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3903 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.3.2018

CLEANING AND RESTORATION OF HISTORICAL MONUMENTS

3903. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken / proposes to take any initiative for cleaning and restoration of historical monuments in the country on the lines of Swachch Bharat campaign;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard along with the achievement made so far?

ANSWER

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

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a)&(b) Hon'ble Minister of Culture, Government of India, launched Swacch Bharat Abhiyan on 25th September, 2014 from the premises of Red Fort, New Delhi under Clean India Campaign. Launch focused on the initiative to clean all monuments premises and ensure:
 - (i) no garbage would be seen in the premises;
 - (ii) provision of adequate amenities for visitors to ensure no litter is thrown inside monuments; and
 - (iii) to sensitize visitors as well as staff in maintaining the cleanliness of monuments

Conservation and preservation including necessary restoration of centrally protected monuments is a regular phenomenon taken up as per the priority and need basis.

(c) The Campaign is followed for all protected monuments in the country so that they are maintained in good state of preservation and cleanliness.