

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018

NATIONAL POLICY TO DEVELOP RELIGIOUS HERITAGE

+3107. SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:
DR. BHARATIBEN D. SHYAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any national policy to promote and develop the historical and religious heritage of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified new historical and religious sites in various States including Gujarat and Bihar during the last two years and the current year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, location/State/ UT-wise?

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. The Archaeological Survey of India has not formulated any National Policy for promotion and development of country's historic and religious heritage. However, 100 monuments/sites out of 3691 number of protected monuments of national importance have been identified as Adarsh Smarak for providing additional facilities like Wi-Fi, cafeteria, interpretation centre, brail signage, modern toilets etc. The details of monuments/sites identified as Adarsh Monument is at Annexure-I.
- (c)&(d) During last two years and current year Archaeological Survey of India has explored various sites of historical importance in the country including in Gujarat and Bihar. Details of sites are at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO PART (a)&(b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3107 FOR 31.12.2018

LIST OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED MONUMENTS IDENTIFIED AS ADARSH MONUMENTS

Sl. No.	Name of Monument	State
1	Virabhadra Temple, Lepakshi Dist. Anantpur	Andhra Pradesh
2	Nagarjunakonda	
3	Bhuddist Remains, Salihundum	
4	Rang Ghar, Sibsagar	Assam
5	Vaishali – Kolhua	Bihar
6	Sher Shah's Tomb, Sasaram	
7	Excavated Remains at Nalanda	
8	Lakshman Temple, Sirpur, Dist. Mahasamund	Chhattisgarh
9	Humayun's Tomb	Delhi
10	Red Fort	
11	Qutb Complex	
12	Safdarjung Tomb	
13	PuranaQila	
14	Church of St. Augustine, Old Goa	Goa
15	Rani-Ki-Vav, Patan	Gujarat
16	Champaner Monument, Champaner	
17	Archaeological Remains of a Harappan Port Town, Lothal	
18	Diu Fort	
19	Dholavira	
20	Sun Temple, Modhera	Haryana
21	ShikhChilli's Tomb	
22	Jal Mahal, Narnual	
23	Masrur Rock Cut Temple	Himachal Pradesh
24	Martand Temple , Kashmir	Jammu & Kashmir
25	Leh Palace, Leh	
26	Pari Mahal, Srinagar	
27	Ram Nagar Palace	
28	Ancient Tank and excavated remains, Benisagar, Dist. Singhbhum	
29	Group of monuments at Hampi	Karnataka
30	Group of Temples, Pattadakal	
31	DariyaDaulatBagh, Shrirangpattnam	
32	Group of Temples, Aihole	
33	Fort Bidar, Dist. Bidar	
34	Shravanbelgola	
35	Gol- Gumbaz, Bijapur	
36	Sacred Ensembles of the Hoysalas, Belur&Helebidu	

37	Bekal Fort	Kerala
38	KudakaliuParabmu, Thrissur	
39	St. Anjelo Fort, Kannur, Kerala	
40	St. Francis Church, Cochin	
41	Western Group of Temples, Khajuraho	Madhya Pradesh
42	Rayal Palace, Mandu	
43	Budhhist Monuments at Sanchi	
44	Pre-historic rock shelters of Bhimbetka	
45	Group of Temples at Amarkantak	
46	Gwalior Fort, Gwalior	
47	Shiva Temple, Bhojpur	
48	Elephenta Caves	Maharashtra
49	Daultabad Fort	
50	Aga Khan Palace, Pune	
51	Ajanta Caves	
52	Tomb of Rabia-Duarani (Bibi-ka-Maqbara)	
53	Ellora Caves	
54	Buddhist Caves, Kanheri	
55	Vangchina Group of Monuments, Mizoram	Mizoram
56	Remains of a fort (Dimapur Ruins), Dimapur	Nagaland
57	Sun Temple, Konark	Odisha
58	Udaygiri-Khandgiri, Caves	
59	Noar Mahal ki Sarai	Punjab
60	Tombs of Mohammad Momin and of Haji Jamal	
61	Sanghol, Ropar	
62	Dakkani Sarai	
63	KumbhalGarh Fort	Rajasthan
64	Deeg Palace, Jaipur	
65	Chittorgarh Fort	
66	Ranthambhore Fort	
67	Arthuna Group of Temples	
68	SasBahu Temple, Nagda	
69	Shore Temple, Mahabalipuram	Tamil Nadu
70	Brihdeshwara Temple, Thanjavur	
71	Vellore Fort	
72	Caves, Sittannavasal	
73	Fort Gingee	
74	Muvarkoil with surrounding sub-shrines, stone enclosure and stone well in the north-east corner	
75	Kailash Nath Temple, Kanchipuram	
76	Golkunda Fort	Telangana
77	Ramappa Temple	
78	Sculptures and rock-cut relief of UnakutiTirtha, Unakuti Range	Tripura
79	Taj Mahal, Agra	Uttar Pradesh
80	FatehpurSikri	
81	Sravasti	
82	Sarnath	
83	Rani Jhansi Fort, Jhansi	

84	Residency, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
85	Kalinjar Fort	
86	Agra Fort	
87	Akbar's Tomb	
88	Itimad-Ud-Oaula's Tomb	
89	Site, Stupa & Monastery of the Sakyas, Priprahwa	
90	Lal Khan Tomb, Rajghat, Varanasi	
91	Kushinagar	Uttarakhand
92	Jogeshwara Temple	
93	Lakhamandal	
94	Sun Temple, Katarmal	
95	Bajnath Temple	
96	Gopeshwar	West Bengal
97	Hazardwari Place	
98	Adina Masjid	
99	Temples at Bishnupur	
100	Koch Bihar Palace	

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c)&(d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3107 FOR 31.12.2018

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE DETAILS OF VILLAGE TO VILLAGE SURVEY CONDUCTED BY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR

Sl. No.	State	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		Total village surveyed	Villages yielding antiquarian remains	Total village surveyed	Villages yielding antiquarian remains	Total village surveyed	Villages yielding antiquarian remains
1.	Bihar	100	15	132	29	57	8
2.	Chhattisgarh	102	12	107	17	191	6
3.	Gujarat	8	8	-	-	-	-
4.	Haryana	28	28			22	22
5.	Himachal Pradesh	82	46	72	44	35	28
6.	Karnataka	198	164	44	33	101	87
7.	Kerala	34	34	-	-	-	-
8.	Madhya Pradesh	79	62	40	26		
9.	Maharashtra	3	3	6	3	11	5
10.	Mizoram	18	18	-	-	42	28
11.	Odisha	52	52				
12.	Punjab	647	48	-	-	149	22
13.	Rajasthan	36	10	82	34	-	-
14.	Tamil Nadu	29	15	132	55	43	33
15.	Uttar Pradesh	22	19	11	10	81	18
16.	Uttarakhand	170	8	-	-	-	-
17.	West Bengal	-	-	-	-	41	10
	Total	1608	542	626	251	773	267