GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4570 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2019

BEAUTIFICATION OF MONUMENTS

4570. SHRI P.R. NATARAJAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified certain monuments for beautification including Taj Mahal;
- (b) if so, the details of budget allocated and utilised during each year of the last five years including current year, year-wise/monument-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any decision to beautify Taj Mahal in near future:
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM (PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) does conservation work of protected
- & monuments including Taj Mahal is attended regularly within the archaeological
- (b) norms and principles. The details of funds utilized in the last five years and allocation for the current financial year for conservation of protected monuments under Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) are as under:

SI. No.	Year	Expenditure/Allocation (Amount Rs. In Crores)
1.	2014-15	235.52
2.	2015-16	237.46
3.	2016-17	301.29
4.	2017-18	410.77
5.	2018-19	405.02
6.	2019-20	436.67 (Allocation)

- (c) Conservation work of protected monuments including Taj Mahal is a
- to continuous process wherein the essential conservation, preservation &
- (e) environmental development work is attended regularly depending upon the requirements of different sites and availability of resources.