

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2017**  
ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

**ANCIENT HERITAGE IN PRAYAGRAJ**

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Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the ancient heritage in the country particularly in Prayagraj district in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government for the conservation and promotion of Indian culture in the country including Prayagraj (Allahabad) district during the last five years;
- (c) the details of the programmes launched for the promotion of Indian culture and for spreading awareness about it during the said period;
- (d) the quantum of funds released to various Non-Governmental Organisations for this purpose, State/UT-wise including Prayagraj district in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for the maintenance and protection of the said heritage sites along with the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND  
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) There are 3695 protected monuments/sites in the country. Details of 15 Centrally Protected Monuments in the district of Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh are given at Annexure.
- (b) Conservation, preservation and maintenance of monuments and sites declared as of national importance is a continuous phenomenon which is carried out as per requirement, priority and availability of resources. Further, to make these monuments tourist friendly, amenities like drinking water, toilets, pathways, ramps, etc. besides facilities like Wi-Fi, cafeteria, interpretation centre, signages, braille signages, etc. are also provided based on requirement and availability of resources.
- (c) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) organizes cultural awareness programmes on various occasions like World Heritage Day, World Heritage Week, International Museums Day, Republic Day, Independence Day, Gandhi Jayanti, etc. through exhibitions, workshops and other programmes involving school & college students and general public.
- (d) Conservation and maintenance of protected monuments is carried out by the ASI.
- (e) Providing facilities and upgrading them is a regular phenomenon and no such funds are released to any Non-Governmental Organisations for this purpose in the country, including Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.

**ANNEXURE****ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2017 FOR 19.12.2022.****LIST OF PROTECTED MONUMENTS/SITES IN DISTRICT PRAYAGRAJ,  
UTTAR PRADESH.**

<b>SL. NO.</b>	<b>NAME OF MONUMENTS/SITES</b>	<b>LOCALITY</b>
1.	Small high mound, the ancient site of a large Hindu Temple	Bara
2.	The area of the waste land divided by a ravine into two large mounds called "Garha and Garhi"	Bhita
3.	Large stone dwelling house said to have been the residence of the two heroes of Ala and Udal cir. 8th century AD	Chilla
4.	Standing figure identified by Fuhrer as Buddha Asvaghosha with a five-headed snake canopy and worshipped under the name of Srigari Devi	Deora
5.	A rocky hall on the south face of the top bearing an inscription of three lines of Indo-Scythian period in red paint with some rude drawings of men and animals	Ginja Hill
6.	Ruined forts of Samudra Gupta and Hansagupta	Jhusi
7.	Cave known as Sita-ki-rasoi containing an inscription in characters of the 9th century AD	Mankuar
8.	Cemeteries at Kydganj	Prayagraj
9.	Khusru Bagh :- Enclosure wall and Gateway of Khusru Bagh, Tomb of Bibi Tamolan, Tomb of Sultan Khusru, Tomb of Sultan Khusru's Mother, Tomb of Sultan Khusru's Sister	Prayagraj
10.	Allahabad Fort Ashokan Pillar (Inscribed stone pillar) Zanana Palace	Prayagraj
11.	Queen Victoria's Memorial in Alfred park	Prayagraj
12.	Garhwa fort	Sheorajpur
13.	Extensive mound called Hatgauha Dih	Shiupur
14.	Large mound called Surya Bhita	Singraur
15.	Ancient Site Sringraur	Sringverpura

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