

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1865
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2023

FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR PROMOTION OF HERITATGE SITES IN GUJARAT

1865. SHRI PATEL HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI:
SHRI RATANSINH MAGANSINH RATHOD:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking steps to promote heritage sites in Gujarat;
- (b) if so; the details thereof;
- (c) the details of heritage sites in Gujarat; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated for the promotion of heritage sites in Gujarat during the last three years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Heritage sites and protected monuments are maintained and kept in presentable condition so that visitors have better experience.
- (b) Conservation, preservation and maintenance of protected monuments/ sites is taken up by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) as per need, priority, and availability of resources, which is a regular phenomenon. Besides this, amenities like toilet and drinking water and facilities like pathway, ramps, signages, dust bins, wheel chairs, sound and light shows, publication sale counter, etc. are provided at protected monuments.
- (c) There are 205 monuments and sites declared as of national importance in the State of Gujarat.
- (d) The expenditure on protected monuments and sites is met out from regular budget of ASI. The expenditure during last three years within the State of Gujarat is as under:

Year	Expenditure (Amount in crore)
2019-20	7.00
2020-21	7.34
2021-22	10.50

Further, Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned two projects amounting to Rs. 99.97 crores during the last three years.
