

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4300
ANSWERED ON 27.03.2023**

CONSERVATION OF PRE-HISTORIC ROCK ART SITES IN UTTAR PRADESH

4300. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that prehistoric rock art sites of Likhaniya Dari, Chuna Dari, Morhana Pahar and Vindam Falls in Uttar Pradesh are in grave danger; and
- (b) if so, the details of the remedial steps that are proposed to be taken by the Government keeping in mind that the protection and conservation protocols required for such prehistoric rock art sites, have not been extended to Sonbhadra region in Uttar Pradesh?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The prehistoric rock art sites of Likhaniya Dari, Chuna Dari, Morhana Pahar and Vindam & Falls in Uttar Pradesh are not under the protection of Archaeological Survey of India
- (b) (ASI). However ASI undertakes conservation works of 3696 Centrally Protected Monuments (CPMs) in the various part of the country, as and when necessary. The conservation and preservation of CPMs is a continuous process. Conservation works are carried out by ASI every year as per requirement and available resources, and they are in good state of preservation.
