

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5114
ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023**

CRACKS IN GATEWAY OF INDIA

5114. SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a recent structural audit of the Gateway of India, Mumbai has revealed cracks along the façade which is a cause of concern for the Government and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any report has been submitted to the Union Government in this regard and if so, the findings of the said report;
- (c) whether the Government has received a restoration proposal from the State Directorate of Archaeology and Museums and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has sanctioned and released any fund for the restoration of the said iconic monument and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of other steps taken/being taken by the Government for the conservation of this iconic monument?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Gateway of India, Mumbai is not a centrally protected monument. It is under the protection of Department of Archaeology and Museums, Government of Maharashtra. Few cracks were found on the surface during the inspection. Overall structure was found to be in a good state of preservation.
- (b) No report has been submitted to Union Government in this regard.
- (c) Government of India has not received any such proposal. Department of Archaeology and to Museums has prepared a detailed site management plan and an estimate for conservation and repairs to Gateway of India amounting to Rs.8,98,29,574/-. The Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Government of Maharashtra has approved the same on 10th March, 2023.
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