

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.633
ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023**

CONSTRUCTION OF JARASANDH MEMORIAL

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Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pride of Indian history, 'Jarasandha's Akhada' located in Nalanda evokes curiosity in tourists from India and abroad, and they know about the Dwapar era now for its glorious past;
- (b) whether the said 'Akhada' is one of the rare 'Akhadas' not only in the country but also in the world, and yet this heritage and glorious historical site of our country is being grossly neglected by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI);
- (c) whether the proposal sent by the Government of Bihar regarding the construction of Jarasandh Memorial near the Jarasandh 'Akhada' in Nalanda is pending with the ASI; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the no-objection certificate is likely to be issued by the said department for the construction of the said memorial?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Jarasandh Ka Akhada at Nalanda is a Centrally Protected Monument.
- (b) No, Sir The conservation work of Jarasandh Ka Akhada is attended regularly by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) according to the need and it is in a good state of preservation.
- (c) No such proposal has been received by ASI.
- (d) Question does not arise.
