GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1696 ANSWERED ON 31.07.2023

NEW TECHNIQUES TO CONSERVE ANCIENT MONUMENTS

1696. SHRI V.K. SREEKANDAN:

Will the MINISTER OF CULTURE संस्कृति मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government is securing the knowledge in India's ancient scriptures and manuscripts for the future through technology;
- (b) if so, so the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering employing new techniques and know-how to conserve the ancient monuments which are in dilapidated conditions across the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is using both traditional as well as diverse scientific preservation techniques to safeguard and maintain the longevity of the Manuscripts available with the organization for future.
- (c) & (d) ASI being the custodian of the 3696 Centrally Protected Monuments & Sites of the Nation is employing contemporary technologies for assessing the condition of the monuments and framing conservation & restoration plans in accordance with the National Conservation Policy, 2014 as per the need, for safeguard of the monuments.
