

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2826
ANSWERED ON 07.08.2023

PRESERVATION OF INSCRIPTIONS AND PALACES FOUND DURING EXCAVATION

†2826. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:
SHRI ANIL FIROJIYA:
SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD:

Will the **Minister of CULTURE** be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of the sites where archaeological surveys have been carried out in the country;
- (b) whether the Ministry has collaborated with any other Ministry for promoting the culture of India;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any new scheme has been formulated to preserve inscriptions, palaces and other items of archaeological importance found during such archaeological excavations; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) regularly conducts Village to Village Survey to explore and record the antiquarian remains. The details are at Annexure-I.
- (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry has collaborated with other Ministries for promoting the culture of India.
& The details are at Annexure-II.
- (c)
- (d) There is no new scheme formulated but ASI carries out preservation of inscriptions, palaces & and other items of archaeological importance found during such archaeological excavations.
- (e)

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2826 FOR 7.8.2023.

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF VILLAGE TO VILLAGE SURVEY CARRIED OUT BY ASI FROM 2014-15 to 2022-23:

Sl. No.	Name of State / U.T.	No. of Villages Surveyed	No. of villages with antiquarian remains
1.	Assam	23	23
2.	Andhra Pradesh	15	12
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	01	01
4.	Bihar	654	113
5.	Chhattisgarh	696	72
6.	Goa	187	101
7.	Gujarat	176	116
8.	Haryana	60	09
9.	Himachal Pradesh	714	250
10.	Jammu & Kashmir (U.T.)	25	25
11.	Jharkhand	360	109
12.	Karnataka	933	806
13.	Kerala	169	37
14.	Ladakh (UT)	06	06
15.	Madhya Pradesh	378	273
16.	Maharashtra	235	124
17.	Meghalaya	01	01
18.	Mizoram	71	57
19.	Odisha	29	12
20.	Punjab	1459	130
21.	Rajasthan	330	123
22.	Telangana	15	10
23.	Tamil Nadu	770	329
24.	Uttar Pradesh	615	229
25.	Uttarakhand	907	69
26.	West Bengal	157	70

Annexure-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2826 FOR 7.8.2023.

DETAILS OF COLLABORATION WITH THE OTHER MINISTRY FOR PROMOTING THE CULTURE OF INDIA DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS:

Sl. No.	Collaboration Ministry/Agency	Department	Purpose
1.	Ministry of Education, Government of India	Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar	(a) Strengthening and Supporting the Archaeological Sciences Centre established at the IIT, Gandhinagar. (b) Multi-Special Drone Survey of the Harappan Site of Dholavira
		Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
		Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati	Aerial LIDAR or such similar survey at Remains of Bhismanagar, District Lower Diang Valley, Arunachal Pradesh
2.	Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India	Birbal Sahani Institute of Palaeo-sciences	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
		Institute of Sesmiological Research, Gandhinagar	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
		Indian Institute of Geo Magnetism	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
3.	Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India	National Forensic Science University, Gandhinagar	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
4.	Government of India	Department of Space, Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad	Scientific studies on Vadnagar excavation finding.
5.	Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Government of India	-	Development of National Maritime Heritage Complex as a world class maritime heritage destination.
6.	Ministry of Tourism, Government of India	-	Several events- programs were organized under the aegis Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav which commence from 12.03.2021
7.	Ministry of Ayush, Government of India	-	International day of Yoga was celebrated in the year 2023.
8.	The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology	Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geoinformatics (BISAG-N), Gandhinagar	Development of Indian Heritage Mobile Application
