GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 590

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PRESERVATION OF ANCIENT CAVE MURALS

590. SHRI S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN: Will the Minister of CULTURE pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that the worldfamous ancient cave murals in Maharashtra state at ruin due to debatable preservation and display techniques and unbridled tourism; and
- (b) if so, the details of the initiatives that are proposed to be taken by the Government to save these millennia-old artistic wonders?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) The world-famous ancient cave murals in the Maharashtra state are not at ruin due to preservation and display techniques and tourism. The guidelines suggested by various expert committees are adopted by ASI to save these millennia-old artistic wonders. They are in good state of preservation.
