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MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
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DISCUSSION ON POLICY MEASURES ON REGULAR INTERVALS

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government agrees with the view that discussions on policy measures, market opportunities and regulatory frameworks that enable the development of cultural and heritage cities should take place at regular intervals;
- (b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) In order to promote the cultural and heritage cities, the Government of India (GOI) had to launched a scheme to preserve and develop these cities, like the HRIDAY scheme. Few
- (c) other cities, which are of Outstanding Universal Value due to the unique architecture, cultural milieu and other features, as outlined by the UNESCO, become World Heritage. Examples are cities of Ahmedabad, Jaipur, semi urban settlements of Fatehpur Sikri and Shantiniketan.

To promote the preservation of historic centres in India, the UNESCO and the GoI came together to form the Indian Heritage Cities Network (IHCN) in the year 2006.

The respective state governments also look after the upkeep of such cities. The monuments of national importance situated in these cities are taken care of by the Archaeological Survey of India.
