

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2090
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2.12.2019

HERITAGE SITES GIVEN TO MONUMENT MITRAS

2090. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has given heritage sites/monuments to Monument Mitras for maintenance and conservation of these sites under 'Adopt a Heritage' project;
- (b) if so, the total number of sites given to Monument Mitras under Adopt a Heritage project and the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the measures taken to improve the existing facilities; and
- (d) the proposed measures taken by the Government to improve the condition of monuments/heritage sites in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

(PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a)&(b) The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has launched the “Adopt a Heritage: Apni Dharohar, Apni Pehchaan” project which is a collaborative effort by the Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Culture, Archaeological Survey of India and State Governments/ UT Administrations for developing tourism amenities at heritage/ natural/ tourist sites spread across India for making them tourist friendly, in a planned and phased manner. The project aims to encourage companies from public sector, private sector, corporate citizens, NGOs, individuals and other stakeholders to take up the responsibility of developing and upgrading the basic and advanced tourist amenities at these sites. They would also look after the Operation & Maintenance of the same. Under the Adopt a Heritage project, 26 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU's) have been signed and awarded to 12 Monument Mitras for twenty-four (24) sites and two (2) Technological interventions for the purpose of development and operation & maintenance (O&M) of approved tourism amenities at sites spread across India. List of the MoUs signed and awarded are placed at Annexure
- (c) Providing basic facilities/amenities (e.g. drinking water, toilet blocks, facilities for physically challenged, pathways, cultural notice boards/signage, vehicle parking, cloak rooms, etc.) to the tourists visiting centrally protected monuments/sites are regular activities which the Archaeological Survey of India undertakes, as per needs. Improvement and upgradation of these public facilities/amenities is a continuous process. Basic public facilities are available at all World Heritage Sites and ASI's ticketed monuments.
- (d) Archaeological Survey of India is responsible for protection, conservation and maintenance of centrally protected monuments, archaeological sites and remains declared as of national importance in the country which is a continuous process, where essential work is executed as per the requirements of different sites and availability of resources and over all they are in good state of preservation.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a)&(b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2090 FOR 2.12.2019

List of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU's) signed

SN	Name of Site	State/ UT	Name of Agency
1	Gangotri Temple Area & Trail to Gaumukh	Uttarakhand	Adventure Tour Operators Association of India (ATOAI)
2	Trail from Village Stok to base camp of Mt. Stok Kangri	Jammu & Kashmir	Adventure Tour Operators Association of India (ATOAI)
3	Red Fort	Delhi	Dalmia Bharat Ltd.
4	Gandikota Fort	Andhra Pradesh	Dalmia Bharat Ltd.
5	Surajkund	Haryana	Bliss Inn (India) Pvt. Ltd. (VResorts)
6	Jantar Mantar	Delhi	Apeejay Surrendra Park Hotels (P) Ltd.
7	Ajanta Caves	Maharashtra	Yatra Online Pvt. Ltd.
8	Qutub Minar	Delhi	Yatra Online Pvt. Ltd.
9	Hampi & Hazara Rama Temple	Karnataka	Yatra Online Pvt. Ltd.
10	Leh Palace	Jammu & Kashmir	Yatra Online Pvt. Ltd.
11	Development of Multi-Lingual Audio Guide for 3 Tourist Sites	i. Amer Fort, Rajasthan ii. Mahabodhi Temple, Bihar iii. Chandni Chowk, Delhi	Resbird Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
12	Development of Multi-Lingual Audio Guide for 9 Tourist Sites	i. Dholavira, Gujarat ii. Somnath, Gujarat iii. Humayun's Tomb, Delhi iv. Red Fort, Delhi v. Purana Quila Delhi vi. Fatehpur Sikri, Agra vii. Taj Mahal, Agra viii. Mahabalipuram, Tamil Nadu ix. Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh	Resbird Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

13	Abdur Rahim Khan – i - Khana	New Delhi	Interglobe Foundation
14	Bekal Fort	Kerala	Drishti Lifesaving Pvt. Ltd.
15	Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park	Gujarat	Akshar Travels Pvt. Ltd.
16	Rani ki Vav, Patan	Gujarat	Akshar Travels Pvt. Ltd.
17	Sun Temple, Modhera	Gujarat	Akshar Travels Pvt. Ltd.
18	Buddhist Caves, Uparkot, Junagadh	Gujarat	Akshar Travels Pvt. Ltd.
19	Gol Gumbad	Delhi	Resbird Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
20	Aguada Fort	Goa	Drishti Lifesaving Pvt. Ltd.
21	Krishna Temple, Hampi	Karnataka	Heritage Hotel, Hampi (A unit of Indo Asia Leisure Services Ltd.)
22	Elephant Stables, Hampi	Karnataka	Orange County Resorts & Hotels Ltd.
23	Pattabhirama Temple, Hampi	Karnataka	Orange County Resorts & Hotels Ltd.
24	Zenana Enslosure (Lotus Mahal), Hampi	Karnataka	Orange County Resorts & Hotels Ltd.
25	Ugra Narsimha Temple, Hampi	Karnataka	Hotel Malligi Pvt. Ltd.
26	Badavilinga Temple, Hampi	Karnataka	Hotel Malligi Pvt. Ltd.