

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1335
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020

PROTECTION OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS IN BACKWARD AND RURAL AREAS

+1335 SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any measures for the protection of ancient monuments, State-wise particularly in the backward and rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of places of archaeological importance under the control of Central Government in the country especially in backward and rural areas;
- (c) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred on these ancient monuments for maintenance and restoration during the last three years, monument-wise and State-wise including Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government for development of these places?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
(PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir, The Central Government has declared 3691 monuments/sites as of national importance throughout the country including monuments/sites from backward and rural areas. A state-wise distribution of monuments is given at Annexure-I.
- (c) Conservation, preservation and maintenance of monuments in the country, including those situated in backward and rural areas, is met out from the regular budget of Archaeological Survey of India. Expenditure incurred during the last three years on conservation and preservation of all monuments of national importance including monuments situated in Uttar Pradesh is given at Annexure-II.
- (d) Tourist facilities like drinking water, toilets, signages, ramps, wheel chair, benches, pathways, Wi-Fi, cafeteria, etc. are provided at monuments wherever tourist potential is high considering feasibility and resources.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1335 FOR 10.02.2020

**Abstract of Centrally Protected Monuments under the Jurisdiction of
Archaeological Survey of India**

Sl.No.	Name of State	Nos. of Monuments
1.	Andhra Pradesh	129
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	03
3.	Assam	55
4.	Bihar	70
5.	Chhattisgarh	47
6.	Daman & Diu (U. T.)	12
7.	Goa	21
8.	Gujarat	203
9.	Haryana	91
10.	Himachal Pradesh	40
11.	Jammu & Kashmir (U. T.)	56
12.	Jharkhand	13
13.	Ladakh (U. T.)	14
14.	Karnataka	506
15.	Kerala	28
16.	Madhya Pradesh	292
17.	Maharashtra	286
18.	Manipur	01
19.	Meghalaya	08
20.	Mizoram	01
21.	Nagaland	04
22.	N.C.T. Delhi	174
23.	Odisha	80
24.	Puducherry (U.T.)	07
25.	Punjab	33
26.	Rajasthan	163
27.	Sikkim	03
28.	Telangana	08
29.	Tamil Nadu	413
30.	Tripura	08
31.	Uttar Pradesh	745
32.	Uttarakhand	42
33.	West Bengal	135
	TOTAL	3691

ANNEXURE – II

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1335 FOR 10.02.2020

STATE/UT-WISE EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION OF MONUMENTS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS

(Amount Rs. in Lakhs)						
Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Circle / Branch	Total Number of Monuments	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1.	Uttar Pradesh	Agra Circle	745	940.00	850.00	858.61
		Lucknow Circle		688.52	648.97	481.99
		Sarnath Circle		230.20	200.00	254.57
2.	Maharashtra	Aurangabad Circle	286	334.00	544.99	430.00
		Mumbai Circle		900.48	914.98	889.97
		Nagpur Circle		395.54	530.00	470.00
3.	Karnataka	Bangalore Circle	506	1009.50	1056.89	985.00
		Mini-circle Hampi		800.31	660.00	519.04
		Dharwad Circle		516.98	597.99	639.97
4.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal Circle	292	745.00	779.98	809.48
5.	Odisha	Bhubaneswar Circle	80	865.00	689.92	590.00
6.	West Bengal,	Kolkata Circle	135	280.68	521.00	968.75
	Sikkim					
7.	Tamil Nadu,	Chennai Circle	413	583.98	460.05	809.50
	Puducherry (UT)					
8.	Punjab	Chandigarh Circle	33	524.68	424.91	289.99
	Haryana					
9.	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla Circle	40	106.22	148.75	151.00
10.	Delhi	Delhi Circle	111	569.82	901.88	2456.65
		Mini-circle Delhi	63	418.05	640.11	609.35
11.	Goa	Goa Circle	21	155.30	239.64	159.99
12.	Assam	Guwahati Circle	55	262.19	377.00	315.00
	Manipur		01			
	Meghalaya	Aizwal Circle, Mijoram	08	72.20	86.20	83.76
	Mizoram		01			
	Nagaland		04			
	Tripura		08			
	Arunchal Pradesh		03			
13.	Rajasthan	Jaipur Circle	163	208.48	255.00	290.00
		Jodhpur Circle		322.42	370.00	415.00
14.	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad Circle	129	841.50	350.00	370.00
	Telangana		08			
15.	Telangana	Amravati Circle		0	684.98	529.94
16.	Bihar	Patna Circle	70	153.53	195.00	175.98
17.	Jammu & Kashmir (U.T.) and Ladakh (U.T.)	Srinagar Circle	56	95.83	215.00	175.00
		Mini-circle Leh	14	43.40	54.09	69.98
18.	Kerala	Thrissure Circle	28	284.98	325.00	227.00
19.	Gujarat	Vadodara Circle	203	1385.00	1117.99	961.99
	Daman & Diu(UT)		12			
20.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun Circle	42	55.07	70.00	82.00
21.	Chhattisgarh	Raipur Circle	47	216.30	176.39	209.08
22.	Jharkhand	Ranchi Circle	13	50.13	175.00	86.00
		Chemical Preservation (All India)	--	635.13	549.79	517.49
		Horticultural Activity (All India)	--	4655.95	5528.20	4562.93
		DG Office	---	10783.00	19737.09	19057.00
		Total	3691	30129.37	41076.79	40502.01