

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1816
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2.3.2020

DEVELOPMENT OF FORTS

1816. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are 350 forts in Maharashtra with beautiful landscape and of historical interest that can be used to promote tourism;
- (b) if so, the details of the forts in Maharashtra;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that due to lack of basic facilities at tourist sites visitors are facing lots of problems especially cave area in Maharashtra; and
- (d) the plan of the Government to develop those sites as heritage tourism with basic facilities at these forts?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

(PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a)&(b) Forts in Maharashtra are themselves tourist attraction due to their architecture, grandeur, history associated and natural settings. A list of forts under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India in Maharashtra is at Annexure.
- (c)&(d) In general forts and caves in Maharashtra are situated in a difficult geographical terrain and as such provide challenging excursion. Though there is no specific plan by Archaeological Survey of India to develop forts as Heritage Tourism. Facilities are provided at forts like pathways, benches, drinking water, toilets, signages, etc.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a)&(b) OF LOK SABHA
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LIST OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED FORTS IN MAHARASHTRA

Sl. No.	Name of Fort	Location	District
01	Panhala Fort	Panhala	Kolhapur
02	Shivneri Fort	Junnar	Pune
03	Lohogad Fort	Lohgad	Pune
04	Rajmachi Fort	Rajmachi	Pune
05	Visapur Fort	Visapur	Pune
06	Suvarnadurg	Dapoli/	Ratnagiri
07	Jaygad Fort	Jaygad	Ratagiri
08	Sindhudurg	Malvan	Sindhudurg
09	Vijaydurg	Vijaydurg	Sindhudurg
10	Aurangzeb's Fort	Machnur	Sholapur
11	The Old fort at Sholapur	Sholapur	Sholapur
12	Sion Fort	Sion	Mumbai
13	Mahuli Fort	Mahuli	Thane
14	Fort and old Portuguese Remains at Bassein	Vasai	Thane
15	Arnala Fort	Vasai	Thane
16	Hirakot fort	Alibag	Raigad
17	Alibag (Kolaba) Fort	Alibag	Raigad
18	Birwadi Fort	Birwadi	Roha
19	Rajkot	Cheul	Raigad
20	Chandragad	Poladpur	Raigad
21	Surgad Fort / Gherasurgad	Roha	Raigad
22	Ghosalegad Fort	Roha	Raigad
23	An old Fort row in a dilapidated condition. Contains a temple of the God Kangormmal; two tanks.	Kangori	Raigad
24	Old Fort at Korlai	Alibag	Raigad
25	Awchitgad fort	Medhe / Roha	Raigad
26	Kasa (Kamsa) fort	Murud	Raigad
27	Janjira Fort	Murud	Raigad
28	Raigad Fort	Mahad	Raigad
29	Tala Fort	Mangaon/	Raigad
30	Songad (Songiri)	Achloli	Raigad
31	Kotali Fort with two iron guns and one bronze gun	Peth	Raigad
32.	Daulatabad Fort	Daulatabad	Aurangabad

33.	Fort	Partabgarh	Gondia
34.	Remains of an old fort on the hill	Bhiwargarh	Nagpur
35.	Balapur Fort	Balapur	Akola
36.	Narnala Fort	Narnala	Akola
37.	Gawilgarh Fort (the walls and the whole area contained by them)	Chikaldara	Amravati
38.	Fort Wall	Ballarpur	Chandrapur
39.	Fort	Bhandak	Chandrapur
40.	Fort Wall	Chandrapur	Chandrapur
41.	Fortress of Tipagarh	Murumgaon	Gadchiroli
42.	Fort Wall	Wairagarh	Gadchiroli
43.	Fort	Dongartal	Nagpur
44.	Fort	Paunar	Wardha
45.	All the remains of the circumambulation wall of Pauni Fort	Pauni	Bhandara