

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 40
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.09.2020

AMOUNT SPENT ON HISTORICAL BUILDINGS IN BIHAR AND MAHARASHTRA

40. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:
SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the numbers of dilapidated historical buildings in the country particularly in Bihar and Maharashtra along with the number of buildings repaired during the last four years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated and spent on the maintenance of said buildings during the last four years;
- (c) the number of tourists who have visited these buildings/monuments during the said period along with the amount of revenue generated from these buildings;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any survey in regard to the buildings of historical importance during the current year; and
- (e) if so, the number of such buildings required to be repaired along with the State-wise details thereof particularly in Bihar and Maharashtra?

ANSWER

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

- (a) There are 3692 numbers of protected monuments in the country including in the States of Bihar & Maharashtra. The conservation work on them is attended regularly as per the availability of resources and requirements of different sites, due to which they are in a good state of preservation.
- (b) The details of funds allocated & spent for conservation of protected monuments in the country during the last four years are as under:-

S. No.	Year	Funds Allocated (Amount Rs. in Lakhs)	Expenditure Incurred (Amount Rs. in Lakhs)
1.	2016-17	30358.07	30129.37
2.	2017-18	41080.32	41076.79
3.	2018-19	40637.86	40502.01
4.	2019-20	43560.68	43540.26

- (c) There are 143 numbers of ticketed monuments of ASI in the country. The details of tourists visited and revenue generated from ticketed monuments, during the last four years are as under:-

S. No.	Year	Number of Tourists visited	Revenue Collected (Amount in Rs.)
1.	2016-17	48147994	223,34,00,000
2.	2017-18	51792441	247,89,00,000
3.	2018-19	53152423	317,20,00,000
4.	2019-20	42050668	277,78,07,840

- (d) All protected monuments are important and continuous watch is kept on their condition on the basis of which conservation programme is prepared every year.
- (e) Conservation work of protected monuments is a continuous process. Annual maintenance work of all the protected monuments in the country including Bihar and Maharashtra, is attended regularly and need based repair work is also attended where required, within archaeological norms & principles, as per the availability of resources.