GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3011 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.3.2021

OPENING OF MONUMENTS AFTER SUNSET

†3011. SHRI NAYAB SINGH: DR. RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to keep ten ancient monuments open even past sunset and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the monuments in Haryana and Uttar Pradesh which will be kept open even sunset past; and
- (c) whether there is any plan to extend the said decision to more monuments besides these ten monuments and if so, the time by which it is likely to be done?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) Thirty centrally protected monuments / sites remain open even past sun set, details of which are at Annexure.
- (b) Shekh Chillis Tomb at Thanesar in Haryana is identified to be kept open even past sun set. This will be open to public after the illumination is done. Residency Building at Lucknow and Man Mahal at Varanasi, in Uttar Pradesh are open for public even past sun set.
- (c) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

ANNEXUR REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3011 FOR 15.03.2021

LIST OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED MONUMENTS/SITES WHICH ARE OPENED DURING LATE HOURS

S.No.	State	District	Locality	Name of Monument / Site
1	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	Hyderabad City	Char Minar
2	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Afsar Wala-ki-masjid
3	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Red Fort
4	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Old Fort
5	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Safdarjung Tomb
6	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Humayun's Tomb
7	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Gateways of Abadi Bagh Bu-Halima
8	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Jantar Mantar
9	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Kotla Firoz Shah
10	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Tomb of Afsar Wala
11	Delhi	Delhi	Delhi	Tomb of Khan Khanan
12	Delhi	Delhi	Mehrauli	Group of buildings at Hauz Khas
13	Delhi	Delhi	Mehrauli	Qutb Archaeological Area
14	Gujarat	Patan	Patan	Rani-ki-Vav (Not Yet Opened)
15	Haryana	Thanesar	Kurukshetra	Sheikh Chilli Tomb (Not Yet Opened)
16	Karnataka	Pattadakkal	Bhagalkot	Group of Monuments, 17Pattadakkal (Not Yet Opened)
17	Karnataka	Vijayapura	Vijayapura	Gol Gumbaz (Not Yet Opened)
18	Karnataka	Bangalore	Bangalore	Tipu Sultan's Palace
19	Karnataka	Bijapur	Bijapur	Gol Gumbaz
20	Karnataka	Mandya	Seringapat-nam	Daria Daulat Bagh
21	Madhya Pradesh	Khajuraho	Chhattarpur	Dulhadeo Temple (Not Yet Opened)
22	Maharashtra	Pune	Pune	Aga Khan Palace
23	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli	Markanda Chamursi	Group of temples, Markanda Chamurshi
24	Maharashtra	Aurangabad	Aurangabad	Tomb of Rabia Daurani (Bibi-ka-Maqbara)
25	Odisha	Bhubaneswar	Bhubaneswar	Rajarani Temple complex
26	Rajasthan	Ajmer	Ajmer	Marble pavilion and balustrade on the Anasagar Bund and the ruins of the marble Hamam behind the Anasagar Dam
27	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	Agra	Taj Mahal
28	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	Lucknow	Residency building
29	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	Varanasi	Man Mahal, Vaidhshala
30	West Bengal	Kolkata	Kolkata	Metcalfe Hall