

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3088
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2021

BEAUTIFICATION OF TEMPLES IN ODISHA

3088. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the places of pilgrimages like temples and ancient monuments which are being developed in the State of Odisha;
- (b) whether steps have also been taken for the beautification of such temples and monuments;
- (c) if so, whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), Odisha Unit has made any recommendation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the funds provided for the beautification and development?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) The conservation, preservation and environmental development work of protected monuments and temples in the country including in the State of Odisha is a continuous process and same is attended regularly by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) as per the availability of resources.
- (b) Yes Sir. In addition to conservation of monuments the development works are attended keeping regard to the archaeological norms and principles and Conservation Policy of ASI, 2014, with a thrust on retaining originality, authenticity & integrity of protected monuments.
- (c) ASI Odisha Unit submits Annual Conservation Programme following conservation & guidelines, archaeological norms & principles and Conservation Policy of ASI which is implemented after due scrutiny.
- (d)
- (e) The funds allocated for conservation, preservation & environmental development work of protected monuments of ASI in Odisha, for current financial year 2020-21, is Rs. 552 lakh.
