#### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3115 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2021

# FUNDS SPENT ON DILAPIDATED HISTORICAL BUILDINGS IN WEST BENGAL

## 3115. MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of dilapidated historical buildings in West Bengal along with the number of buildings repaired during the last four years;
- (b) the funds allocated and spent on the maintenance of said buildings during the last four years; and
- (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?

## ANSWER

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

## (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) There are 135 nos. of protected monuments of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in West Bengal. The essential conservation work on all these protected monuments is attended regularly by the ASI as per the availability of the resources due to which they are in a good state of preservation.
- (b) The details of funds allocated and spent for conservation of protected monuments of ASI in West Bengal, during the last four years, are as follows:

		(Rs. in Lakhs)		
SI. No.	Year	Funds Allocated	Expenditure incuured	
1.	2019-20	777.00	772.00	
2.	2018-19	1023.88	917.65	
3.	2017-18	501.18	501.18	
4.	2016-17	284.55	270.94	

(c) There are four nos. of ticketed monuments in the West Bengal. The details of tourists visited and the amount of revenue collected in these four monuments during the last four years are as under:- (Amount in Rs.)

SI. No.	Year	No. of Tourists Visited	Revenue Collected
1.	2019-20	12,96,569	3,29,97,460
2.	2018-19	14,49,246	3,28,29,915
3.	2017-18	19,96,668	3,06,01,775
4.	2016-17	13,83,692	2,11,78,840