

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2021

RESTORATION OF MARKANDESHWAR TEMPLE IN MAHARASHTRA

2107. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI RAVI KISHAN:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has undertaken restoration work of various temples situated in the country and if so, the details thereof, Temple-wise;
- (b) whether the ASI has initiated the restoration work of Markandeshwar Temple in Maharashtra;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said restoration work is likely to be completed; and
- (d) the total expenditure involved therein along with the steps taken/ being taken by the ASI to complete the restoration works in a time bound manner?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Conservation, preservation, restoration and environmental development work of the centrally protected monuments including temples in the country is a continuous process and the same is attended regularly by the Archaeological Survey of India(ASI) as per the requirement of the different sites and availability of resources.
- (b) Yes Sir, the conservation work of Markandeshwar Temple, Gadchiroli, & Maharashtra has been taken in a phased manner as per the availability of funds and skilled manpower. The works is likely to be completed by 2022-23.
- (c)
- (d) The expenditure involved in the comprehensive conservation of group of temples at Markandeshwar, Distt. Gadchiroli is Rs. 1,26,60,419/-.

