RESTORATION OF MARKANDESWAR TEMPLE IN MAHARASHTRA

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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
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(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) The expenditure involved in the comprehensive conservation of group of temples at Markandeshwar, Distt. Gadchiroli is Rs. 1,26,60,419/-. 

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