GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

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ESTABLISHMENT OF IICHCM

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has taken steps for establishing Indian Institute of cultural heritage and Conservation Management (IICHCM) to impart higher education / research / training in the field of Cultural Heritage of the country?
- (b) If so, the details thereof?
- (c) If not, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR CULTURE, TOURISM & DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(G.KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c): The government has decided to set up the 'Indian Institute of Heritage' at Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar. This will impact higher education and research in the fields related to rich Indian heritage and its conservation. Indian Institute of Heritage would offer Masters and Ph.D courses in History of Arts, Conservation, Museology, Archival Studies, Archaeology, Preventivep Conservation, Epigraphy and Numismatics, Manuscriptology etc. as well as conservation training facilities to in-service employees and the students of the Indian Institute of Heritage.

The Institute is being set up as Deemed to be University by integrating Institute of Archaelogy (Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya Institute of Archaeology), School of Archival Studies under National Archives of India, New Delhi, the National Research Laboratory for Conservation of Cultural Property (NRLC), Lucknow, National Museum Institute of History of Art, Conservation and Museology (NMICHM) and Academic Wing of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), New Delhi. These shall become various schools of Institute.

Indian Institute of Heritage will be a world-class university that would focus on the conservation and research in India's rich tangible heritage, while offering research, development and dissemination of knowledge, excellence in the education of its students and activities associated with heritage that contribute to the cultural, scientific and economic life of India. This would be a standalone Institution of its type in the country.