

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2526**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1.8.2022

**FUNDS FOR EXCAVATION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES IN BIHAR**

†2526. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds allocated for survey and large scale excavation work of archaeological sites in Bihar during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to prepare any special action plan for excavation in Nalanda and Gaya of Bihar which are considered rich in heritage sites; and
- (c) if so, the amount of fund proposed to be spent under the said schemes and the time line by which these works are likely to be started?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN  
REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Funds allocated during the last three years are as follows:

Year	Fund Allocation (in Rupees)
2019-20	1, 40,000
2020-21	50,000
2021-22	7,00,000

- (b) At present, there is no such proposal under consideration. However, Archaeological & Survey of India had conducted excavation at Kurisarai, district Gaya, Bihar during the
- (c) financial year 2021-22 and 2022-23.