GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3643 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8^{TH} AUGUST, 2022

DEVELOPMENT OF DERA BABA NANAK

3643 SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognisance of the demands from various Sikh organizations to develop Dera Baba Nanak, Gurdaspur as the Sikh Heritage City;
- (b) whether the demand to develop Dera Baba Nanak Sikh Heritage City has received any consideration from the Government;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to declare and build Dera Baba Nanak Sikh Heritage City in the near future;
- (d) whether the Government has made any plan or proposal in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) The National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY), a central sector scheme of the Government of India for declaring Heritage city was launched on 21st January, 2015 and the same continued up to 31.3.2019. The said scheme was implemented in 12 identified cities throughout India including Amritsar in Punjab.
- (b) to (e) On discontinuation of the HRIDAY scheme, Heritage component has been included in National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD). No request is under consideration from the State of Punjab under PRASHAD for development of Dera Baba Nanak Sikh Heritage City.
