GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†966 TO BE ANSWERED ON – 29.07.2024

CONSERVATION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL STRUCTURES

†966. SHRI CHAVDA VINOD LAKHAMSHI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken/is taking measures for conservation of archaeological structures related to Hindu and Jain temples situated in Qutub Minar complex in Delhi and restoration of idols in the said temples;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Conservation and preservation work of archaeological structures situated in Qutub Minar Complex is taken up as per the requirement and availability of resources.
- (b) The details of conservation and maintenance works carried out in Qutub Minar Complex during the last three years are attached as Annexure I.
- (c) Question does not arise.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †966 FOR 29.07.2024.

Details of Conservation and maintenance works carried out in Qutub Minar Complex during the last three years.

(Amount Rs. in Lakhs)

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| SI. No. | Name of Work | Expenditure 2021-22 | Expenditure 2022-23 | Expenditure 2023-24 | Total Expenditure |
| 1. | Restoration of Fallen position of western boundary wall of Qutub Complex | 8.94 | 10.47 | NIL | 19.41 |
| 2. | Conservation of wells at Qutub Complex | 1.47 | 7.55 | NIL | 9.02 |
| 3. | Conservation of Cupola and laying of pathways around sundial area at Qutub Complex | 1.96 | 7.97 | NIL | 9.93 |
| 4. | Conservation of ancient tank in western side at Qutub Complex | NIL | 2.19 | 4.57 | 6.76 |
| 5. | Conservation of Quwwatul Islam mosque arch in front of iron pillar at Qutub complex | NIL | NIL | 16.29 | 16.29 |
| 6. | Providing and fixing of signage of world heritage site Qutub Minar | 15.81 | NIL | NIL | 15.81 |
| 7. | Repair & Upgradation of old toilet block (male & female) at Qutub Complex | NIL | 13.54 | NIL | 13.54 |
| 8. | Providing & laying bituminous road on existing layer at Qutub complex, Mehrauli | NIL | NIL | 13.61 | 13.61 |
| 9. | Providing ramp & cleaning debris near Iltutmish's tomb at Qutub complex | NIL | 6.32 | NIL | 6.32 |
| 10. | Providing and fixing tourist friendly wooden passage at Qutub Complex | 16.04 | 1.92 | NIL | 17.96 |
| 11. | Providing & fixing YMS post along with concertina wire all around in the enclosure wall of Qutub Complex, Mehrauli, Delhi | 11.56 | 13.14 | NIL | 24.70 |
