

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1808
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025

PROMOTION OF TRIBAL CULTURE

1808 SHRI SUKHDEO BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that despite the Government's claims of promoting tribal culture, several tribal monuments and heritage sites across the country continue to be neglected with no significant efforts for their protection or preservation; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to resolve such issues?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) There are 3698 protected monuments and protected areas looked after by Archaeological & Survey of India (ASI) including protected monuments and sites located in the tribal areas of the country. Further, their periodic review, inspection, conservation, preservation is taken up by ASI as per the need and requirement considering availability of funds and resources.
- (b)

Expenditure on their conservation and maintenance during the last three years is as under:

Year	Expenditure (in crore rupees)
2021-22	269.57
2022-23	391.93
2023-24	443.53
