

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1323**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025

**MAINTENANCE OF ERUMBEEWARAR TEMPLE, THIRUVERUMBUR UNDER ASI**

**1323. SHRI DURAI VAIKO:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Erumbeeswarar Temple in Thiruverumbur, Tiruchirappalli District, Tamil Nadu, a monument protected by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), is in need of urgent maintenance and conservation;
- (b) if so, whether any recent inspection or assessment has been carried out by the ASI regarding the structural condition and preservation needs of the monument;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated or approved any plan for restoration, conservation and improvement of visitor amenities at the said temple;
- (d) if so, the details and timeline thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether the Government is likely to consider for taking immediate steps to restore and maintain this important Chola-period monument in coordination with the ASI Trichy Circle?

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM  
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) The Erumbeeswarar Temple in Thiruverumbur, Tiruchirappalli district is a centrally protected monument under Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).
- (b) Conservation, preservation and maintenance of the Erumbeeswarar Temple is a continuous process and is taken up as per the requirement and availability of resources. Inspections are carried out regularly in the monument. Recently, the ASI inspected the monument and assessed the structural condition and identified chemical preservation works required in the temple.
- (c) Conservation / restoration works were taken up in FY 2022-23, including lime to punning of vimana, minor repairs to stucco figures, water tightening, de-plastering and plastering, painting of the wooden door, pointing to stone walls, and reconstruction of bulged out stone wall. Basic amenities such as drinking water facilities, hand rails to the steps leading to the hilltop monument, and coir mat for walkway were also carried out and completed in FY 2024-25. The monument is in a good state of preservation.
- (e)