GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.84

ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025

MONUMENTS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

84. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the list of monuments recognised as Monuments of National Importance across the country, State-wise especially from Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government has considered rationalising the existing list, if so, the details of the list of monuments proposed to be added, deleted and presently removed State-wise especially from Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of the extent of funds allocated, released and utilised for the maintenance and restoration of monuments of national importance during the last five years, State-wise, especially in Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government has undertaken any steps to allow private entities to sponsor the maintenance/restoration of monuments of national importance, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken any steps to increase visitor footfall at monuments of national importance, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

- (a) 3685 ancient monuments and archaeological sites and remains of national importance are looked after by Archeological Survey of India (ASI), out of which 135 are located in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Details are given at **Annexure-I.**
- (b) The declaration of ancient monuments or archaeological sites and remains as of National importance is a regular process undertaken according to provisions of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958. Details of the monuments as well as archaeological sites and remains added and removed during the last three years from list of monuments and sites are given at **Annexure-II.**
- (c) Details of allocation and expenditure incurred for conservation, preservation and environmental development of protected monuments and sites in the country including Andhra Pradesh during the last five years are given at Annexure-III.
- (d) The Adopt-A-Heritage 2.0 programme, exclusively for protected monuments was launched in September 2023 to create a framework for engagement with private/public sector companies and NGOs/ Trusts/ Societies, etc., to develop/provide amenities at protected monuments to enhance visitors' experience and make them visitor-friendly.

Details of monuments and private/public sector companies under the scheme are given are at Annexure-IV.

(e) ASI organizes cultural awareness programmes on various occasions like World Heritage Day, World Heritage Week, International Museums Day, Republic Day, Independence Day, Gandhi Jayanti, etc. through exhibitions, workshops and other programmes involving school & college students and general public, etc.

Tourist facilities are provided as per the requirement and feasibility at various protected monuments and sites including World Heritage properties in the country. Further, amenities like drinking water, toilets and facilities like benches, pathways, wheel chairs, ramps, signages, Braille signages, etc. are provided to extend better visitor experience and make them visitor friendly. Providing such facilities and upgrading them is a continuous phenomenon.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 84 FOR 01.12.2025.

STATE-WISE NUMBER OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND REMAINS DECLARED AS NATIONAL IMPORTANCE IN THE COUNTRY INCLUDING ANDHRA PRADESH.

SI.No.	Name of State / U.T.	No. of Monuments
1.	Andhra Pradesh	135
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	03
3.	Assam	55
4.	Bihar	70
5.	Chhattisgarh	46
6.	Daman & Diu (U.T.)	11
7.	Goa	21
8.	Gujarat	205
9.	Haryana	91
10.	Himachal Pradesh	40
11.	Jammu & Kashmir (U.T.)	56
12.	Jharkhand	14
13.	Karnataka	506
14.	Kerala	29
15.	Ladakh (U.T.)	15
16.	Madhya Pradesh	290
17.	Maharashtra	286
18.	Manipur	01
19.	Meghalaya	08
20.	Mizoram	02
21.	Nagaland	04
22.	N.C.T. Delhi	170
23.	Odisha	82
24.	Puducherry (U.T.)	07
25.	Punjab	33
26.	Rajasthan	161
27.	Sikkim	03
28.	Telangana	08
29.	Tamilnadu	412
30.	Tripura	08
31.	Uttar Pradesh	735
32.	Uttarakhand	43
33.	West Bengal	135
	TOTAL	3685

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 84 FOR 01.12.2025.

(A) DETAILS OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND REMAINS ADDED IN THE LIST

Sr. No.	Name of the Monument or Sites and Locality	District	State	Year
1.	Ancient Naula, Syunrakot	Almora	Uttarakhand	2023
2.	Kapileswar Temple, Kapileswar	Bhubaneswar	Odisha	2023
3.	Ancient Mound No. VI, Rakhigarhi	Hissar	Haryana	2024
4.	Ancient Mound No. VII, Rakhigarhi	Hissar	Haryana	2024
5.	Siva Temple (Swapneswar Mahadev Temple), Punjiama	Khordha	Odisha	2025
6.	Painted Rock Shelter,Isko	Hazaribagh	Jharkhand	2025
7.	Nakkar Khana	Luncknow	Uttar Pradesh	2025
8.	Menhirs	Champhai	Mizoram	2025

(B) DETAILS OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND REMAINS REMOVED FROM THE LIST

SI. No.	Name of Monument	District	State	Year	
1.	Nicholson Statue and its platform, and the surrounding gardens, paths and enclosure wall	Delhi	Delhi (NCT)	2024	
2.	Kos Minar No.13	Gurugram (Gurgaon)	Haryana	2025	
3.	Kos Minar	Karnal	Haryana	2025	
4.	Inscription in the fort of Bachhaun	Satna	Madhya Pradesh	2025	
5.	Bara Khamba Cemetery	Delhi	Delhi	2025	
6.	Inchla Wali Gumti	Delhi	Delhi	2025	
7.	Temple (12th Century)	Kotah	Rajasthan	2025	
8.	Inscription in Fort	Jaipur	Rajasthan	2025	
9.	Kutumbari area $\frac{13}{16}$ nalis	Almora	Uttarakhand	2025	
10.	A banyan grove of great antiquity containing traces of ancient buildings	Ghazipur	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
11	Closed Cemetery, Katra Naka	Banda	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
12.	Gunner Burkill's Tomb at Rangoon	Jhansi	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
13	Cemetery	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
14	Cemeteries	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
15.	Tombs	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
16	Remains of 3 small Linga temples to the north of the village Circa 1000 A.D.	Mirzapur	Uttar Pradesh	2025	
17	Telia Nala Buddhist ruins, forms part of deserted village	Varanasi)Benares(Uttar Pradesh	2025	
18.	Tablet on the Treasury Building	Varanasi (Benares)	Uttar Pradesh	2025	

APPENDIX - III

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 84 FOR 01.12.2025.

DETAILS OF ALLOCATION AND EXPENDITURE INCURRED FOR CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT OF PROTECTED MONUMENTS AND SITES IN THE COUNTRY INCLUDING ANDHRA PRADESH DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

		(Amount Rs. in Crore)										
SI. No.	Name of State/UT	Circle / Branch	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
140.			Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
1.	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	13.00	12.96	19.35	19.35	21.27	21.15	23.52	23.52	9.50	9.48
		Jhansi	1.00	1.00	4.15	4.15	7.00	7.00	5.82	5.82	4.30	4.30
		Lucknow	3.88	3.88	10.44	10.44	19.03	19.03	16.93	16.93	5.51	5.51
		Sarnath	4.38	4.38	5.50	5.50	10.15	10.15	11.32	11.32	4.32	4.32
		Meerut	0.00	0.00	2.80	2.80	6.20	6.20	7.9 5	7.95	5.20	4.72
2.	Maharashtra	Aurangabad	3.16	3.16	8.00	7.99	18.70	18.70	26.80	26.80	5.20	5.16
		Mumbai	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	15.35	15.35	15.56	15.56	12.58	12.56
		Nagpur	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	5.00	4.99	10.18	10.18	6.80	6.80
3.	Karnataka	Bangalore	5.27	5.27	9.75	9.75	19.85	19.85	17.34	17.34	5.05	5.05
		Hampi	9.10	9.10	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	12.25	12.25	3.80	3.71
		Dharwad	6.40	6.40	7.32	7.32	10.08	10.08	9.57	9.57	5.42	5.42
4.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	14.90	14.90	17.22	17.22	7.40	7.40
		Jabalpur	3.50	3.50	4.75	4.75	8.00	8.00	9.27	9.27	4.50	4.49
5.	Odisha	Bhubaneswar	3.63	3.63	8.23	8.23	13.18	13.17	12.29	12.29	8.50	7.74
6.	West Bengal,	Kolkata	6.03	6.02	7.67	7.57	10.16	10.16	9.10	9.10	3.95	3.92
7.	Sikkim	Raiganj	1.35	1.35	5.00	5.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	3.80	3.80
8.	Tamil Nadu, Puducherry (UT)	Chennai	5.25	5.25	8.00	8.00	11.45	11.45	12.95	12.95	9.25	9.24
	Tamil Nadu	Trichy	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.0	8.50	8.50	9.55	9.55	3.40	3.40
9.	Punjab	Chandigarh	0.80	0.80	1.50	1.50	6.53	6.53	11.00	11.00	5.65	5.65
	Haryana											
10	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	1.25	1.25	1.15	1.15	8.90	8.90	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00
11.	Delhi	Delhi	20.82	20.82	19.10	19.08	30.50	30.35	36.14	36.14	17.85	16.53
	(NCT)	Delhi Mini Circle	3.69	3.69		-		-				
12.	Goa	Goa	3.70	3.70	7.00	7.00	10.45	10.45	9.90	9.90	6.00	6.00
13.	Assam	Guwahati	vahati 3.04 3.04	3.04	3.30	3.30 3.30	7.44	7.44	8.78 8.7	8.78	3.20	3.19
	Meghalaya											
	Nagaland											
	Arunachal											
14.	Pradesh Manipur	Aizawl	1.31	1.31	1.25	1.25	2.00	2.00	1.29	1.29	1.00	0.99
	Mizoram											
	Tripura											
15.	Rajasthan	Jaipur	7.40	7.40	7.53	7.53	10.28	10.28	12.75	12.75	7.20	7.15
16	Telangana	Jodhpur Hyderabad	4.10 2.80	4.10 2.80	4.50 7.00	4.50 6.80	7.65 15.50	7.65 15.50	10.65	10.65	6.75	6.75
				4.57					14.38	14.38	4.80	4.77
17. 18.	Andhra Pradesh Bihar	Amravati Patna	4.57 1.23	1.23	5.75 3.35	5.75 3.35	11.60 9.00	11.60 9.00	14.70 16.00	14.70 16.00	6.50 5.33	6.50 5.33
19.	Jammu &	Srinagar	0.80	0.80	2.55	2.55	6.11	6.03	7.17	7.17	3.65	3.64
	Kashmir (U.T)	_										
20.	Ladakh (UT)	Mini Circle Leh	0.20	0.20	0.43	0.43	1.92	1.92	3.50	3.50	1.50	1.50
21.	Kerala	Thrissure	2.03	2.03	6.82	6.82	7.50	7.50	7.09	7.09	4.22	4.22
22.	Gujarat Daman & Diu (UT)	Vadodara	6.35	6.35	8.00	8.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	4.50	4.50
00	Gujarat	Rajkot	0.99	0.99	2.50	2.50	3.09	3.09	2.50	2.50	2.00	2.00
23.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	4.60	4.60	3.75	3.75	4.85	4.85	5.42	5.42	3.60	3.60
24.	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	2.89	2.89	4.78	4.78	7.50	7.50	5.94	5.94	5.13	5.13
25.	Jharkhand	Ranchi	0.88	0.88	1.18	1.16	2.00	2.00	2.15	2.15	1.25	1.25

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DETAILS OF ADOPT A HERITAGE 2.0 PROGRAM, EXCLUSIVELY FOR PROTECTED MONUMENTS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE IN THE COUNTRY.

S.No.	Name of Monument	Entity	State
1.	Agra Fort, Agra (UP)	Ease My Trip Foundation	Uttar Pradesh
2.	Mehrauli Archaeological Park, Delhi	Sabhyata Foundation	Delhi
3.	Safdarjung Tomb, Delhi	Sabhyata Foundation	Delhi
	Western Group of Temples, Khajuraho	Ease My Trip Foundation	Madhya Pradesh
5.	Kailasanatha temple, Kanchipuram (TN)	Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited (CIFCL)	Tamil Nadu
6.	Sun temple, Konark, Puri (Odisha)	Ease My Trip Foundation	Odisha
7.	Elephanta Caves, Raigarh (Maharashtra)	Mahesh Enterprises and Infra India Private Limited	Maharashtra
8.	Upper Fort Aguada, Goa	Drishti Lifesaving Pvt Ltd	Goa
9.	Purana Qila, Delhi	Sabhyata Foundation	Delhi
10.	Qutub Minar, Delhi	Ease My Trip Foundation	Delhi
11.	Humanyun's Tomb, Delhi	Sabhyata Foundation	Delhi
12.	Jantar Mantar	Powerlinks Transmission Ltd	Delhi
13.	Group of Monuments, Hauz Khas	Tata Power Trading Pvt Ltd	Delhi
14.	Ugrasen ki Baoli	Zee Aakash	Delhi
15.	Delhi Gate	Redtape Ltd	Delhi
16.	Kashmere Gate and Mori Gate	Redtape Ltd	Delhi
17.	Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka	HEG Ltd	Madhya Pradesh
18.	Ajmeri Gate	Redtape Ltd	Delhi
19.	Madrasa Mahmud Gawan	Shaheen Group of Institutions	Karnataka
20.	Kamalapur Museum	JSW Foundation	Karnataka
21.	Tomb of Khan-i-Khana	InterGlobe Aviation Pvt Ltd (Indigo)	Delhi
22.	Tomb of Najaf Khan	Sawasdee Projects Pvt Ltd	Delhi
23.	Padma and Rani Talabs at Ranthambore Fort	Bisleri International Pvt Ltd	Rajasthan
24.	Baori Abaneri	Bisleri International Pvt Ltd	Rajasthan
25.	Baori Neemrana	Bisleri International Pvt Ltd	Rajasthan
26.	Budha Budhi pond at Kalinjar Fort	Bisleri International Pvt Ltd	Uttar Pradesh
27.	Development of audio guides at 18 monuments	Resbird Technologies	Multiple states
28.	Red Fort	Dalmia Bharat Limited	Delhi
29.	Aga Khan Palace	DCB Bank	Maharashtra
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