GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 39 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.11.2015 AGRAHAYANA 9, 1937 (SAKA)

PROTECTION OF HERITAGE BUILDINGS FROM FIRE

39. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that many heritage buildings are under the threat of catching fire;
- (b) if so, the precautionary steps taken by the Government to handle any emergency situation to protect these heritage buildings from fire; and
- (c) the location-wise details of such heritage buildings in the country, Statewise including Gujarat?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) No Madam. Most of protected monuments of Archaeological Survey of India
- to (ASI) are constructed of stone and brick, thus do not have this kind of threat.
- (c) However some monuments having timber and other fire catching materials have been provided with proper fire fighting arrangements. The details of such monuments, State-wise, including Gujarat, are being collected.