

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3585**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016

LINKING OF MEMORIALS ASSOCIATED WITH DALITS

†3585. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether special measures are being taken by the Government to spread the Dalit philosophy and ideology and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to connect the memorials and places associated with major Dalit thinkers and make a new journey circuit;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM

DR. MAHESH SHARMA

a) The Government of India has taken measures to spread the Dalit philosophy and ideology by setting up of Dr. Ambedkar Foundation and Babu Jagjivan Ram National Foundation. Dr. Ambedkar Foundation is entrusted with the publication of collected works of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in different languages. Further, Dr. Ambedkar Foundation is also bringing out a monthly magazine "Samajik Nyaya Sandesh". Babu Jagjivan Ram National Foundation has been setup with the objective inter-alia to propagate ideology and philosophy of life and mission of Babu Jagjivan Ram.

(b), (c) & (d) No Madam. At present, no such proposal is under consideration.