

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1396**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2026

**CONSERVATION OF PROTECTED MONUMENTS AND HERITAGE SITES**

†1396. **DR. SHIVAJI BANDAPPA KALGE:**  
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**SHRI AZAD KIRTI JHA:**  
**SMT. GENIBEN NAGAJI THAKOR:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) does the work of conservation, preservation, protection, restoration and maintenance of protected monuments, heritage sites across the country, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra, irrespective of the dynasty they belong to;
- (b) if so the details and numbers thereof monuments/site-wise along with present conservation status and the funds sanctioned, allocated, released and utilized thereon project-wise in the country, State/UT-wise especially in Maharashtra and West Bengal during the last five years and the current year;
- (c) whether the condition of some of these monuments has deteriorated;
- (d) the details of the steps taken by the Government for the conservation and strengthening heritage preservation in West Bengal;
- (e) whether any approved works remain incomplete or pending due to shortage of funds, administrative delays or other reasons from the Government, if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government has conducted any inspection, audit or assessment of ASI conservation works in West Bengal; and
- (g) whether any UNESCO nomination proposals are currently pending?

## ANSWER

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

- (a) There are total of 3686 centrally protected monuments under the care and maintenance of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) including 286 monuments in the State of Maharashtra. ASI takes up conservation work of these protected monuments/sites including provision of amenities as per the need and availability of resources.
- (b) Conservation and preservation of the protected monument is a continuous process and all protected monuments are in good state of preservation to
- (d) including in the State of Maharashtra and West Bengal. Adequate Funds are allotted as per the requirements of the monuments and approved Annual Conservation Programme (ACP) for the upkeep of the monuments. The state-wise details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred during the last five years and the current year is given at Annexure I.
- (e) No approved work is incomplete or pending due to shortage of funds or administrative delays
- (f) All protected monuments are regularly inspected by the ASI official/officers from time to time to assess the present condition and conservations works.
- (g) No such proposal is pending with ASI.

## STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1396 FOR 09.02.2026

## DETAILS OF ALLOCATION &amp; EXPENDITURE INCURRED FOR CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT OF PROTECTED MONUMENTS DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS AND CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR.

(Amount Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Circle / Branch (Number of Monuments)	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26 (up to 27.01.2026)	
			Allocation	Expenditure	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	15.90	15.90	17.00	13.36
		Jhansi	1.00	1.00	4.15	4.15	7.00	7.00	5.82	5.82	6.10	6.10	9.50	7.65
		Lucknow	3.88	3.88	10.44	10.44	19.03	19.03	16.93	16.93	8.91	8.91	7.95	7.41
		Sarnath	4.38	4.38	5.50	5.50	10.15	10.15	11.32	11.32	7.62	7.62	9.75	6.89
		Meerut	0.00	0.00	2.80	2.80	6.20	6.20	7.95	7.95	6.70	6.64	6.50	4.61
2.	Maharashtra	Aurangabad	3.16	3.16	8.00	7.99	18.70	18.70	26.80	26.80	8.60	8.60	11.00	9.18
		Mumbai	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	15.35	15.35	15.56	15.56	18.19	18.19	17.50	13.12
		Nagpur	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	5.00	4.99	10.18	10.18	10.60	10.60	15.00	12.21
3.	Karnataka	Bangalore	5.27	5.27	9.75	9.75	19.85	19.85	17.34	17.34	8.55	8.55	12.00	8.96
		Hampi	9.10	9.10	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	12.25	12.25	6.52	6.52	8.75	7.14
		Dharwad	6.40	6.40	7.32	7.32	10.08	10.08	9.57	9.57	7.46	7.46	6.25	5.18
4.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	14.90	14.90	17.22	17.22	12.30	12.30	13.50	11.55
		Jabalpur	3.50	3.50	4.75	4.75	8.00	8.00	9.27	9.27	7.00	6.99	6.00	4.80
5.	Odisha	Bhubaneswar And Puri	3.63	3.63	8.23	8.23	13.18	13.17	12.29	12.29	11.50	11.37	11.	6.74
6.	West Bengal,	Kolkata	6.03	6.02	7.67	7.57	10.16	10.16	9.10	9.10	6.01	6.01	4.75	3.92
7.	West Bengal, Sikkim	Raiganj	1.35	1.35	5.00	5.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	6.10	6.10	8.00	7.11
8.	Tamil Nadu, Puducherry	Chennai	5.25	5.25	8.00	8.00	11.45	11.45	12.95	12.95	13.15	13.14	13.00	9.50
		Trichy	2.00	2.00	4.00	4.0	8.50	8.50	9.55	9.55	5.80	5.80	6.50	4.77
9.	Punjab	Chandigarh	0.80	0.80	1.50	1.50	6.53	6.53	11.00	11.00	8.40	8.40	11.00	10.19
10.	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	1.25	1.25	1.15	1.15	8.90	8.90	5.00	5.00	2.80	2.79	2.00	1.88
11.	Delhi (NCT)	Delhi	20.82	20.82	19.10	19.08	30.50	30.35	36.14	36.14	24.95	24.94	39.92	33.99
		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	9.00	9.00	5.06	5.05
13.	Assam	Guwahati	3.04	3.04	3.30	3.30	7.44	7.44	8.78	8.78	5.72	5.71	4.66	3.35
	Meghalaya													
	Nagaland													
	Arunachal Pradesh													
14.	Manipur	Aizawl	1.31	1.31	1.25	1.25	2.00	2.00	1.29	1.29	1.26	1.25	1.20	0.93
		Mizoram												
		Tripura												
15.	Rajasthan	Jaipur	7.40	7.40	7.53	7.53	10.28	10.28	12.75	12.75	10.91	10.91	8.00	6.66
		Jodhpur	4.10	4.10	4.50	4.50	7.65	7.65	10.65	10.65	9.25	9.24	9.00	6.89
16.	Telangana	Hyderabad	2.80	2.80	7.00	6.80	15.50	15.50	14.38	14.38	6.80	6.77	12.00	9.58
17.	Andhra Pradesh	Amravati	4.57	4.57	5.75	5.75	11.60	11.60	14.70	14.70	12.90	12.90	14.00	11.64
18.	Bihar	Patna	1.23	1.23	3.35	3.35	9.00	9.00	16.00	16.00	8.73	8.73	14.50	11.77
19.	Jammu & Kashmir (U.T)	Srinagar	0.80	0.80	2.55	2.55	6.11	6.03	7.17	7.17	4.90	4.89	5.75	4.97
20.	Ladakh (UT)	Mini Circle Leh	0.20	0.20	0.43	0.43	1.92	1.92	3.50	3.50	2.20	2.20	4.50	3.71
21.	Kerala	Thrissure	2.03	2.03	6.82	6.82	7.50	7.50	7.09	7.09	6.30	6.30	4.25	3.55
22.	Gujarat Daman & Diu (UT)	Vadodara	6.35	6.35	8.00	8.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	7.70	7.69	10.50	7.58
		Gujarat	Rajkot	0.99	0.99	2.50	2.50	3.09	3.09	2.50	2.50	3.00	3.00	4.00
23.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	4.60	4.60	3.75	3.75	4.85	4.85	5.42	5.42	5.10	5.10	6.50	4.74
24.	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	2.89	2.89	4.78	4.78	7.50	7.50	5.94	5.94	8.19	8.19	12.25	9.21
25.	Jharkhand	Ranchi	0.88	0.88	1.18	1.16	2.00	2.00	2.15	2.15	2.25	2.25	2.37	2.50

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