

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:939
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2003
ENQUIRY AGAINST ASI OFFICIALS
IQBAL AHMED SARADGI

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India has ordered a departmental inquiry against 11 of its officials working in the Bangalore circle on charges of dereliction of duty, corruption and misappropriation of funds;
- (b) if so, whether this follows a recommendation by the Central Bureau of Investigation which after a detailed inquiry found prima facie evidence against these officials;
- (c) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken against those officers held responsible by the CBI; and
- (d) by when the guilty officials are likely to be punished?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) & (d) Disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against them.