

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

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LIGHTNING CONDUCTOR ON MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that most of the tall historic buildings/monuments across the country are either not equipped with adequate lightning conductors or the lightning conductors have become defunct, which may result in severe damage to the structure in case of lightning during the rainy season;
- (b) if so, the reason for such a careless attitude towards the protected monuments; and (
- (c) the immediate steps being taken by the Government for proper protection of monuments against lightning?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (c) No, Sir. Lightning conductors are provided to monuments wherever necessary and are subjected to periodical checking by concerned agencies and replaced where it is found defunct.