

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:305
ANSWERED ON:11.08.2003
WORLD HERITAGE MONUMENTS
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

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

- (a) the names of the monuments which have been accorded world heritage status by the UNESCO alongwith the grants provided therefor, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government have approached the UNESCO for inclusion of some more monuments in the list of world heritage sites including Red Fort at Delhi and Bhimbetka caves of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (c) if so, the reaction of UNESCO thereto?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (c) The Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 305
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(a) Name of Monuments and sites which have been accorded World Heritage status by UNESCO, State-wise

STATEMENT - I

Sl.No. Name of World Heritage Sites Name of the State

1. Mahabodhi Temple, Bodhgaya Bihar
2. Humayuns Tomb, Delhi Delhi
3. Qutb Minar and its monuments, Delhi Delhi
4. Churches and Convents of Old Goa Goa
5. Group of Monuments Hampi Karnataka
6. Group of Monuments at Pattadakal Karnataka
- 7 Painted Rock-shelters Bhimbetka Madhya Pradesh
8. Buddhist Monuments Sanchi Madhya Pradesh
9. Khajuraho Group of Monuments Madhya Pradesh
- 10 Ajanta Caves Maharashtra
11. Ellora Caves Maharashtra
12. Elephanta Caves Maharashtra
13. Sun Temple, Konarak Orissa
14. Brihadishvara Temple, Thanjavore Tamilnadu
15. Group of Monuments Mahabalipuram Tamilnadu
16. Agra Fort Uttar Pradesh
17. Taj Mahal, Agra Uttar Pradesh
18. Fatehpur Sikri Uttar Pradesh

Natural sites in India included in the World Heritage List

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| 19. Kaziranga National Park | Assam |
| 20. Manas Wildlife Sanctuary | Assam |
| 21. Sunderbans National Park | West Bengal |
| 22. Nandadevi National Park | Uttar Pradesh |
| 23. Keoladeo National Park | Rajasthan |

Industrial Heritage Site in India included in the World Heritage List

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| 24. Darjeeling Himalayan Train | West Bengal |
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(b) MINOR AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR WORKSHOP ETC. FROM UNESCO AS PER FOLLOWING DETAILS :

STATEMENT - II

Sl.No	Name of the Monument	State	Minor amount received for	Activities carried out
			work- shop etc.	from UNESCO

1. Group of Monuments Hampi Karnataka US \$ 6000 (In October, 2000) To conduct workshop for site managers of World Heritage Sites situated in the States of Karnatka, Tamilnadu, Goa and Orissa about the implementation of World Heritage Convention etc.
(Rs.2,58,000/-)
2. Buddhist Monuments Sanchi Madhya Pradesh US \$ 62,144 between 1994 to 1999 (Rs.26,72,212) repairs,excavations,afforestation, boring and plantation and for surveying and documentation. For revival of water tank and
3. Sun Temple, Konarak Orissa US \$ 27,000 (in June, 1998 Paid Rs.10 lakhs to Central and US \$ 10,000 in January, Building Research Institute, 2001) (Rs.15,91,000/-) Roorkee for soil investigation, Geo-radar studies, sampling and testing of stones in the Sun Temple Konarak and the report of CBRI was submitted to UNESCO.
4. Agra Fort & Taj Mahal, Agra Uttar Pradesh US \$ 6000 in 1999 (Rs.2,58,000) For improving the conservation and US \$ 9000 in 2001 laboratory at Agra Fort and for (Rs.3,87,000) conservation and preservation works.

(b) & (c) Painted Rock Shelters at Bhimbetka in Madhya Pradesh was nominated and the World Heritage Committee has approved its inscription on the World Heritage List for 2003.

Proposal for Red Fort had been submitted in 1982. After evaluating the condition of the site in 1993 UNESCO deferred the site on the ground that Army is occupying major portion of the monument and it is statutorily not protected. The entire Red Fort is protected and now that the army has decided to move out, a decision has been taken to send a fresh nomination dossier to UNESCO to inscribe Red Fort on the World Heritage List.

Nomination dossiers for including Medieval Group of Monuments at Champaner in the State of Gujarat and Harmandir Sahib (Golden Temple) at Amritsar in the State of Punjab have been submitted to UNESCO for inscription on the World Heritage List for the year 2004 and 2005 respectively.