

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

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CONSERVATION OF ARTEFACTS  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Tenth Century artefacts discovered at Qutab Complex in Delhi were abandoned by the ASI; and  
(a) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for conservation of the said artefacts?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)& (b) No, Sir. All the significant sculptures and architectural fragments, which were found during debris clearance in connection with conservation at the Qutab heritage complex, are kept in the Sub-Circle office in the Qutab area and seven selected ones out of those were shifted to Purana Qila in 1998 for display in the archaeological museum.