

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3184
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WORLD HERITAGE SITES
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of World Heritage sites in India, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to include more places in the list of World Heritage sites in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE (SHRIS. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) So far 21 cultural and 5 natural sites have been inscribed from India in the UNESCO World Heritage list. The details are given at Annexure 'I'.

(b) & (c) The Government of India has nominated Majuli Island in Assam for consideration of inclusion in the World Heritage List in the year 2006. The Government also proposes to submit the nomination dossiers of Red Fort for consideration in the year 2007. There are 14 cultural sites in the tentative list maintained at the World Heritage Centre (list annexed at Annexure II) for which nominations would be submitted in due course.

< Annexure I

Annexure Referred to in Reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3184 for dated 14.12.2005

List of Cultural and Natural Sites from India inscribed on the World Heritage List

CULTURAL SITES

S.No.	Name of Monument/Site	State
1.	Ajanta Caves (1983)	Maharashtra
2.	Ellora Caves (1983)	Maharashtra
3.	Agra Fort (1983)	Uttar Pradesh
4.	Taj Mahal (1983)	Uttar Pradesh
5.	Sun Temple, Konark (1984)	Orissa
6.	Group of Monuments, Mahabalipuram (1984)	Tamil Nadu
7.	Churches and Convents at Goa (1986)	Goa
8.	Group of Monuments, Khajuraho (1986)	Madhya Pradesh
9.	Group of Monuments at Hampi (1986)	Karnataka
10.	Fatehpur Sikri (1986)	Uttar Pradesh
11.	Group of Temple at Pattadakal (1987)	Karnataka
12.	Elephanta Caves (1987)	Maharashtra
13.	Great Living Chola Temples at Thanjavur, Gangaikondacholapuram and Darasuram (1987 and 2004)	Tamil Nadu
14.	Buddhist Monuments at Sanchi (1989)	Madhya Pradesh
15.	Humayun's Tomb (1993)	Delhi
16.	Qutb Minar Complex (1993)	Delhi
17.	Mountain Railways of India (1999 and 2005)	West Bengal and Tamil Nadu
18.	Mahabodhi Temple, Bodhgaya (2002)	Bihar
19.	Prehistoric Rockshelters of Bhimbetka (2003)	Madhya Pradesh
20.	Champaner- Pavagarh Archaeological Park (2004)	Gujarat
21.	Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus) Mumbai (2004)	Maharashtra

NATURAL SITES

1	Kaziranga National Park (1985)	Assam
2.	Manas Wildlife Sanctuary (1985)	Assam
3.	Keoladeo National Park (1985)	Rajasthan
4.	Sunderban National Park (1987)	West Bengal
5.	Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Parks (1988,2005)	Uttanchal

Annexure II

Annexure Referred to in reply to Part (b) & (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3184 for dated 14.12.2005

List of Cultural Sites from India included in the Tentative List approved by UNESCO World Heritage Committee (Up to 2005)

S. No.	Name of Monument/Site	Name of state
1.	Ancient Buddhist site at Sarnath (Varanasi)	Uttar Pradesh
2.	Buddhist Monastery Complex known as Alchi Chos-Kor at Alchi (Leh)	Jammu & Kashmir
3.	Harappan City at Dholavira, Distt Kuchchh	Gujarat
4.	Golconda Fort, Hyderabad	Andhra Pradesh
5.	Group of Monuments at Mandu, Distt. Dhar	Madhya Pradesh
6.	Hemis Gompa	Jammu & Kashmir
7.	Mattanchery Palace , Emakulam	Kerala
8.	Rani-ki-Vav (Queen's Step-well) at Patan, Distt. Mahesana	Gujarat
9.	River Island of Majuli in midstream of river Brahmaputra	Assam
10.	Sri Harimandir Sahib at Amritsar	Punjab
11.	Temple at Bishnupur	West Bengal
12.	Tomb of Sher Shah Suri at Sasaram	Bihar
13.	Kalka-Simla Railway	Haryana/ H.P
14.	Red Fort, Delhi	Delhi