

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3173  
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RENOVATION OF JANTAR MANTAR  
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for major renovation of Jantar Mantar Observatories in Delhi and other parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost of the project; and
- (c) the time by which the renovation work is likely to be taken up and the expected time of completion?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (c) The conservation works of the Mishra Yantra at Jantar Mantar, Delhi is being taken up under the National Culture Fund. An estimate of Rs.11.98 lakhs for this purpose has been framed. For conservation of Jantar Mantar at Varanasi, a provision of Rs.10.00 lakhs has been made in the conservation programme for 2006-07. The above works are expected to be completed during the current financial year. The Tourism Department, Government of India has sanctioned Rs.189.70 lakhs for renovation and development of Jantar Mantar at Jaipur, a protected monument under the Government of Rajasthan. The works are likely to be completed by 2008.