

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL CULTURAL FUND
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up "National Cultural Fund";
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the aims and objectives of the National Cultural Fund;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to lighting of the important monuments at night in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details of such monuments?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) Yes Sir,

(b) The National Culture Fund (NCF) was set up as a trust under the Charitable Endowment Act, 1890 through a Gazette Notification of Government of India dated 28th November 1996. The Fund aims at inviting the participation of the corporate sector, NGO's, State Governments, Private/Public Sector and individuals in the task of promoting, protecting and preserving India's cultural heritage both tangible and intangible.

(c)&(d) After a preliminary survey, the following monuments of Delhi have been identified for lighting:-

Jantar Mantar
Purana Quila
Humayun's Tomb

Safdarjung Tomb
Shershah Gate
Khairul Manazil Mosque
Sabj Burj
Barakhamba