

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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AUDIO-GUIDE SYSTEM AT HISTORICAL MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to install audio-guide system in Lal Qila and Taj Mahal after its installation in Qutub Minar in view of the forthcoming Commonwealth Games to enable the tourists to get comprehensive information about the history of the said monuments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the system is likely to be installed in these historical monuments?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) Yes,Sir.

(b)&(c) Expression of Interest have already been received from reputed agencies having expertise in audio guide systems for all the World Heritage Sites in the country including Red Fort and Taj Mahal.This facility would be in place at these two monuments by September, 2010, well before the Commonwealth Games 2010.