

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1223

ANSWERED ON:24.07.2017

Heritage Towns

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

- (a) the details of towns and regions declared as heritage throughout the country State/UT-wise;
- (b) the salient features of the heritage towns as per existing norms;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any initiative to survey throughout the country for the heritage sites, regions and towns and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any State Government specially West Bengal has given any proposal to declare heritage regions/towns and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) There is no provision in the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rules, 1959 to declare any town or region as heritage.

Monuments and Archaeological sites are declared protected as of national importance by the Archaeological Survey of India; the State/UT-wise details of monuments/sites are at Annexure-I.

(b) The salient features of heritage towns does not exist in the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 and Rules, 1959.

(c) Archaeological Survey of India takes up survey for documenting/reporting ancient monuments/sites through exploration and village to village survey. After survey, 22 monuments (list is at Annexure-II) have been identified to be included in the list of centrally protected monuments.

(d) Yes, Madam. A communication has been received from Khardah Municipality, West Bengal to consider Khardah, a suburban place near Kolkata as a heritage spot.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1223 FOR 24.7.2017

NUMBER OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED MONUMENTS/SITES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA IN THE COUNTRY

Sl.No. Name of State Nos. of Monuments

1. Andhra Pradesh 129
2. Arunachal Pradesh 03
3. Assam 55
4. Bihar 70
5. Chhattisgarh 47
6. Daman & Diu (U. T.)12
7. Goa 21
8. Gujarat 203
9. Haryana 91
10. Himachal Pradesh 40
11. Jammu & Kashmir 69
12. Jharkhand 13
13. Karnataka 506
14. Kerala 28
15. Madhya Pradesh 292
16. Maharashtra 285
17. Manipur 01

18. Meghalaya 08
19. Mizoram 01
20. Nagaland 04
21. N.C.T. Delhi 174
22. Odisha 79
23. Puducherry (U.T.) 07
24. Punjab 33
25. Rajasthan 162
26. Sikkim 03
27. Telangana 08
28. Tamil Nadu 413
29. Tripura 08
30. Uttar Pradesh 743
31. Uttarakhand 42
32. West Bengal 136

TOTAL 3686

#### ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1223 FOR 24.7.2017

LIST OF MONUMENTS IDENTIFIED FOR PROTECTION AS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE IN THE COUNTRY  
Sl.No Name of Monument State

- 1 Badarpur Fort, District Karimganj Assam
- 2 Rock Painting at Chintakunta Muddanur Mandal, District Y.S.R. Kadapa Andhra Pradesh
- 3 Ancient Site, Khirsara, District Kacchh Gujarat
- 4 Budhist Monastery at Lahaling District Lalaul and Spiti. Himachal Pradesh
- 5 Zimskhang Gongma along with village remains Jammu & Kashmir
- 6 Ancient Caves Saspol/Gon-Nila-Phuk Meditation Caves Saspol, Leh-Laadakh Jammu & Kashmir
- 7 Rock Art site Murgi, Leh-Laadakh Jammu & Kashmir
- 8 Trilochana Temple Jammu & Kashmir
- 9 Trisher Stupa along with adjusting remains and prehistoric site around Holy Lake (Slob Phan Rso), Leh-Laadakh Jammu & Kashmir
- 10 Navratana Garh Fort Jharkahand
- 11 Janardana Temple, District Thrissur Kerala
- 12 Vishnu Temple (Visnugudi) Nadavyal Sultanbatery Taluk, Wayanad, District Thrissur Kerala
- 13 Dhurabarao (Putalibarao) Maharashtra
- 14 Monument at Ranipur Jharia Odisha
- 15 Zawar, Zinc Protection Centre Rajasthan
- 16 The four Mughal Gardens Uttar Pradesh
- 17 Haveli of Agah Khan Uttar Pradesh
- 18 Haveli of Khan-i-Duran Uttar Pradesh
- 19 Hathi Khana Uttar Pradesh
- 20 Someshwar Mahadeva Temple Char, District Chitrakut. Uttar Pradesh
- 21 Ancient Brick Temple (Tundare Baba), Deokalia (Unchagaon) in District Sitapur. Uttar Pradesh
- 22 Sanauli Uttar Pradesh

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