

ments with reference to the last recorded archaeological survey;

(c) whether any existing historic monuments in Delhi are not in protected category;

(d) whether there is a law for the protection of those monuments by the Delhi Administration which are not taken care of by the Archaeological Survey of India; and

(e) the composition, function and power of the inter-departmental conservation committee formed by the Delhi Administration and the budget allocation for conservation works and for protection of monuments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b). No historic monument has disappeared over the years.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Delhi Administration is framing its own Act for the preservation of monuments which are not under Central protection.

(e) No conservation committee has been formed by Delhi Administration. A sum of Rs. ten lakhs has been earmarked for 87-88 for the preservation of monuments which are not under Central protection.

Mineral Deposits in Sea-bed in South Indian Coastal Belt

4162. SHRI A. JAYAMOHAN Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have collected information regarding the mineral deposits in deep-sea bed along the coastal lines of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka,

(b) if so, the minerals that are likely to be available and in what quantity;

(c) whether Government have any proposal for the exploration of sea bed, deep sea mining activities along the coastal belt of Konkan, Coramandal and Tamil Nadu; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The minerals likely to be available are Ilmenite, Monazite, Rutile, Zircon, Sillimanite, Garnet and Opaque Oxides of iron and Titanium. Sea bed sediments of Quilon Varkala and Muttam Sectors in Kerala contain more than four percent concentration of such heavy minerals located over an area of 700 sq. km. within territorial waters of India. Sea bed samples off Tamil Nadu Coast contain low concentration of Ilmenite, Zircon and Opaque Oxides of iron and titanium and locally high values of Zircon within the territorial waters. Close grid sampling of sea bed in selected potential areas is in progress in the areas.

(c) and (d). The National Institute of Oceanography and the Geological Survey of India have been carrying out surveys for minerals in the continental shelf and in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Coastal belt of Konkan, Coramandal and Tamil Nadu. Studies are now afoot for the detailed exploration of the placer concentrations identified so far by these surveys.

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The School Health Service Scheme

4163. SHRI SHANTI DHARIWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: