

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2525
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2023**

MAINTENANCE OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS IN BIHAR

†2525. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH:
SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV:
SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes of the Central Government for the maintenance of ancient monuments and memorials in Bihar;
- (b) the district-wise number of monuments/ memorials declared as monuments/memorials of national importance in Bihar by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI);
- (c) the amount released to maintain all the ancient monuments under the said schemes for each of the last five years;
- (d) the details of the revenue earned by the Government from these memorials during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government contemplates to declare any monument/memorial as monument/memorial of National Importance and Vaishali district in Bihar and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) There are 70 protected monuments/sites under the care and maintenance of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in the State of Bihar. Conservation and maintenance of ancient monuments/sites is a continuous process and is taken up as per the requirement and availability of resources.
- (b) District-wise number of monuments/sites declared as of national importance in Bihar is given in Annexure-I.
- (c) The details of amount allocated for conservation of all the monuments/sites in the State of Bihar for the last five years are as under:-

(Amount in Crores)

Year	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Amount	1.76	1.55	1.23	3.35	9.00

- (d) The details of the revenue earned by the ASI from sale of tickets on the ticketed monuments/sites during the last three years are as under:-

(Amount in Lakhs)

Year	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Amount	86.95	149.55	388.61

- (e) No such proposal is under consideration.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†2525 FOR 18.12.2023.

District-wise number of monuments/sites declared as of national importance in Bihar

Sl. No.	District	Number of Monuments
1.	Aurangabad	01
2.	Bhagalpur	04
3.	Buxar	01
4.	East Champaran	03
5.	Gaya	11
6.	Jehanabad	09
7.	Kaimur	02
8.	Kishanganj	01
9.	Madhubani	01
10.	Muzaffarpur	01
11.	Nalanda	08
12.	Patna	11
13.	Rohtas	05
14.	Saran	01
15.	Siwan	01
16.	Vaishali	03
17.	West Champaran	07
	Total	70
