

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF FUNDS FOR CONSERVATION OF MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government exercise any check on the spending of funds allocated for maintenance of monuments;
- (b) if so, the names of the circles/states that have not utilised the funds/misutilised it during each of the last three years; and
- (c) the action taken in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b)& (c) The funds allocated to the all Circles of the Archaeological Survey of India for structural conservation of monuments during the last three years have been utilised satisfactorily except for short-fall in the expenditure in the North Eastern States during 1999-2000. Consequent upon administrative steps taken in this regard, the allocated funds have been utilised in full in 2000-01.