GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM AND CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3378 ANSWERED ON:15.04.2002 HISTORICAL MONUMENTS IN RAJASTHAN KAILASH MEGHWAL

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the historical monuments and spots identified in Rajasthan by the Archaeological Survey of India are not being looked after properly and their security is not being ensured; and

(b) if so, the details of the steps taken in regard to their proper upkeep and security and the expenditure incurred in this regard since April 1, 1997, year-wise ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) The Archaeological Survey of India has 153 centrally protected monuments in Rajasthan, which are in a good state of preservation. Besides providing its own watch & ward at most of the important monuments, the Archaeological Survey of India has deployed police guards at Baori at Abaneri Distt. Dausa, Shiva Temple, Neelkanth ,District Alwar and at the Sas Bahu Temple, Nagda, District Udaipur.

(b) The maintenance and conservation of the centrally protected monuments is a continuous process. The expenditure incurred on the maintenance and conservation of the protected monuments and on their security is as per the Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3378 relied to on 15.4.2002.

The expenditure incurred on the maintenance/conservation and security of the centrally protected monuments in Rajasthan during the last five years are as under:-

Year Maintenance/conservation Watch and Ward

1997-98 Rs. 0,79,12,000/- Rs. 0,19,74,106/-1998-99 Rs. 0,68,18,209/- Rs. 1,82,00,000/-1999-2000 Rs. 0,86,71,785/- Rs. 2,02,13,502/-2000-2001 Rs. 1,74,69,000/- Rs. 1,74,01,329/-2001-2002 Rs. 2,35,00,000/- Rs. 1,87,66,000/-

Expenditure incurred on Police Guards since April, 1997 is Rs. 52, 05,025.00