

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PROTECTION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL MONUMENTS NEAR AHMEDNAGAR CITY MAHARASHTRA

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

(a) whether the Government propose to allocate any funds for the environmental protection, conservation and maintenance of the archaeological monuments located near Ahmednagar city in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount proposed to be allocated for this purpose and the measures to be taken for the maintenance of the monuments ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c): The maintenance, conservation and preservation of the centrally protected monuments including those located near Ahmednagar is a continuous process. During the current year the following works will be taken up:-

1. Structural conservation of Farah Bagh Palace, Ahmednagar.
2. Structural conservation of Salabat Khan's Tomb, Ahmednagar.
3. Fencing of Newasa, an archaeological site in Ahmednagar District.

The funds allocated for this purpose during the current financial year is Rs. 11 lakhs.