

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

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DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION OF TEMPLES IN ORISSA
PRABHAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY

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

(a) whether the State Government of Orissa has submitted a memorandum to the Union Government for the development and conservation of Sun Temple, Konark, Sri Jagannath Temple, Puri and Lingaraj Temple in Bhubaneswar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon so far ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) & (b) : In consultation with the State Government of Orissa, Ministry of Tourism has prioritised eleven projects for Central financial assistance during 2000 - 2001 which includes development of area around Puri Temple Complex including Anand Bazar and Heritage Gate at Athamala with Central component of Rs. 60.00 lakhs.