

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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REMAINS OF ANCIENT GOND RAJA PERIOD  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the remains of the ancient Gond Raja period in the district of Chandrapur, Maharashtra are in good state of preservation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) The steps being taken to maintain and unkeep of these remains; and
- (e) The expenditure incurred on maintenance and unkeep of monuments at Chandrapur and Gadchiroli during each of the last three years and the funds allocated for 2005-06?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. There are 21 monuments declared to be of national importance in the District of Chandrapur and 9 in the district of Gadachiroli which include forts, temples, tombs and monolith belonging to Gondraj period. These monuments are receiving adequate attention in terms of structural repairs, environment development and preservation, besides day to day maintenance. The conservation of monuments is a continuous process and works are taken up in a phased manner depending on the availability of resources.

(e) The expenditure incurred during last three years and allocation for the year 2005-06 for the monuments in Chandrapur and Gadchiroli are stated below :-

	Expenditure		Allocation	
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Chandrapur	2,22,476	4,92,128	2,06,815	12,45,500
Gadachiroli	2,08,755	1,79,789	11,89,650	7,84,400