

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2017  
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BEAUTIFICATION OF CHAITYA BHOOMI STUPA  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether in March-2004, the Government of Maharashtra had submitted a plan for redevelopment and beautification of the Chaitya Bhoomi Stupa at Dadar Choupati, Mumbai;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the plan has since been approved;
- (d) if not, the reasons for the delay;
- (e) the stage at which the matter stands at present; and
- (f) the time by which it is likely to be cleared?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (f): The development and promotion of places of tourist spots/interest is the responsibility of the State Government. However, the Ministry of Tourism provides funds on the basis of projects prioritized in consultation with them every year.

On receipt of project proposals, complete in all respects, these are appraised on the basis of inter-se-priority and funds released, subject to availability under the respective heads.

The project for redevelopment and beautification of the Chaitya Bhoomi Stupa at Dadar Choupati, Mumbai was not prioritised for grant of central financial assistance nor has any such proposal been submitted by the State Government.