GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM AND CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4156
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DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PROTECTED MONUMENTS IN ORISSA
Deo Shri Bikram Keshari

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

- (a) the funds provided for development and maintenance of protected monuments in Orissa during each of the last three years and current year;
- (b)
- (c) whether there is any proposal to undertake horticultural activities at Keoli Baikunta and Niladhari Upabana inside the Jaganath Temple at Puri; and if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) The details of funds provided for conservation, preservation and environmental development of centrally protected monuments in Orissa during the last three years and the current year are as under:

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S1.No. Year Funds provided (Rs. in lakhs)

1. 2003-04 266.47
2. 2004-05 487.36
3. 2005-06 428.09
4. 2006-07 12.50
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(b)& (c)The authorities of Lord Jagannath Temple have approached the Paradip Port Trust for renovation of Keoli Baikunta and Niladhari Upabana inside the temple complex. Archaeological Survey of India has requested the temple authorities to submit a detailed proposal for its consideration.