

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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REVIVAL OF QUTAB MINAR AND MEHRAULI PARK
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revive the historic Qutab Minar in Delhi and the Mehrauli Archaeological Park; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI)

(a)&(b) The Qutb archaeological area is open for public. However, the entry into the Minar is closed since 1981. No formal decision has been taken to re-open the entry into Qutb Minar for public owing to its narrow entrance and consequently risk to public safety. The Mehrauli Archaeological Park is under the control of Delhi Development Authority. Out of 70 monuments in the park, 7 monuments have been declared as monuments of national importance which are under the direct control of the Archaeological Survey of India.