

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE STATE GOVERNMENTS

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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a)

(b)

(c) the details of the financial assistance provided to the State Governments for the conservation of protected monuments and construction of new museums during the last three years till date, monument, museums and scheme-wise;whether the funds allocated were fully utilized for the said works during the said period; and if not, the reasons therefore?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (c) There is no scheme to provide financial assistance to the State Governments for the conservation of state protected monuments and museums. However, the Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance to State Governments / Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism heritage sites, monuments and museums under the Scheme of 'Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits' including Rural Tourism. The details of the Infrastructure Projects sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism during the last three years are at Annexure.