GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1930 ANSWERED ON:11.12.2008 EVENTS AT HISTORICAL MONUMENTS Owaisi Shri Asaduddin;Patel Shri Kishanbhai Vestabhai;Sai Shri Nand Kumar;Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) permits use of protected monuments for the conduct of certain events on payment;

(b) if so, the criteria fixed for giving permission for use of such sites;

(c) the details of events for which ASI gave permission during the current financial year; monument-wise; and

(d) the revenue earned by ASI from such events during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI)

(a)&(b) The Archaeological Survey of India permits use of specific protected areas of selected centrally protected monuments/ sites for holding cultural events of a high standard, preferably classical music,dance and drama. A copy of guidelines issued by the Archaeological Survey of India in this regard is at Annexure-I.

(c) The information is at Annexure-II.

(d) Revenue amounting to Rs.33.70 lakhs has been earned during the said period.