GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2249 ANSWERED ON:17.03.2005 DAMAGE CAUSED BY TSUNAMI Sippiparai Shri A. Ravichandran

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether ASI has carried out any survey to assess the extent of damage caused to the ancient historical monuments located along Tamil Nadu coast due to the recent Tsunami tidal wave;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent of damage occurred;
- (c) the measures taken/being taken to renovate and repair these damaged monuments; and
- (d) the funds allocated for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER FOR INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRIS. JAIPAL REDDY)

- (a) Yes sir, the Archaeological Survey of India has conducted survey of the protected monuments immediately after the recent Tsunami tidal wave.
- (b) None of the centrally protected monuments have been affected by Tsunami. However, the waves have damaged the compound wall and the fencing around the Shore temple and Tiger caves.
- (c) Immediate repairs to the compound wall of Shore temple & fencing of Tiger Caves have been taken up.
- (d) For immediate repairs to the compound wall of Shore Temple the amount spent is Rs. 25,000/- so far.