

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6435

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CONDITION OF TEMPLES IN MAHARASHTRA

Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji; Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba; Dhotre Shri Sanjay Shamrao; Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo; Geete Shri Anant Gangaram; Wankhede Shri Subhash Bapurao

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

- (a) whether a number of ancient temples are in bad condition in Maharashtra specially in village Chas Taluka Khed district in Pune;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that several complaints / representations have been made regarding preservation of ancient Laxmi Narayan Temple at village Chas Taluka Khed district Pune, in Maharashtra;
- (d) if so, the details of the complaints received and the action taken in this regard;
- (e) whether it is a fact that trustees of the temples have approached the State administration complaining about forgery in revenue records and removal of encroachment on ancient Laxmi Narayan Temple; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (e) The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) protected monuments in Maharashtra are in a good state of preservation. However, the ancient Laxmi Narayan Temple at village Chas, Taluka Khed, District Pune, in Maharashtra is not a centrally protected monument.

Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is not aware of any complaints received and action taken by the State Administration.