

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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CAVE TEMPLE IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the famous historical 'Cave Temple' at Sithannavasal in Pudukottai District, Tamil Nadu is in dilapidated condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has allocated sufficient funds for the renovation of the historical temple;
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (e) the progress of the renovation work undertaken in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) No, Sir. The historical 'Cave Temple' at Sithannavasal in District Pudukottai, Tamil Nadu, is in a good state of preservation.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Sir. Sufficient funds have been allocated for the conservation work of the said temple. The details are as follows :

(Amount in Rupees)
Sl.No. Years Expenditure

- 1. 2007-08 7,29,176
- 2. 2008-09 2,06,153
- 3. 2009-10 20,164

- (e) The routine maintenance and upkeep work of the monument is attended, regularly.