

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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URBAN RENEWAL UNDER PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) with some other official organizations has entered a Public Private Partnership (PPP) for the urban renewal of Delhi's Nizamuddin area;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether other heritage places in the country will be brought under urban renewal scheme with PPP;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) and Aga Khan Trust for Culture (AKTC) on 11-07-2007 under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode for the Nizamuddin Urban Renewal project. Central Public Works Department (CPWD) and Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) are the other partners. The project has an objective to unify the three zones- Humayun's Tomb, Sunder Nagar and Nizamuddin Basti – into an urban conservation area to improve the quality of life for resident population and to integrate conservation, socio-economic, urban and environmental developments taking the local communities and stakeholders in confidence.

(c),(d) & (e): Though there is neither any proposal of PPP nature under the consideration of ASI, nor any agency has mooted any PPP proposal at present; restoration and renovation works have been taken from the contribution made by private agencies, Public Sector Units (PSUs) under the National Culture Fund (NCF) maintained by the Ministry of Culture. Details of such works are at Annexure. Further works under such arrangements (including PPP) depends upon contribution by donors and necessity of works.