

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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CONSERVATION OF ANCIENT HERITAGES
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to earmark and spend money on the conservation, upkeep and maintenance of ancient heritages of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount of funds earmarked for each State where the money is propose to be spent on the development, conservation and maintenance of ancient heritages State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Every year, funds are allocated, as per budget allotment, for the conservation, upkeep and maintenance of ancient heritage comprising centrally protected monuments and archaeological sites across the country under the aegis of Archeological Survey of India (ASI). The expenditure incurred and funds allocated for conservation and maintenance of ancient heritage during the last three years, State-wise and Circle-wise are at Annexure.