

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1123  
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CONDITION OF NATIONAL MUSEUM  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the National Museum in Delhi is facing structural problems;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether steps have been taken to strengthen the building and to preserve the rare manuscripts therein;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reason thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND MINISTRY OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA)

(a) and (e) The building of National Museum is not facing any structural problems, except normal wear and tear, at present. As regards the preservation of rare Manuscripts, the conservation laboratory of the National Museum is discharging its responsibility taking into account the need/urgency of such conservation/ restoration of objects and resources available. The Museum regularly maintains the microclimate at optimum level, for this purpose.