

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2558
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CULTURAL HERITAGE CENTRES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cultural heritage centres and other heritage sites identified in Gujarat, location-wise;
- (b) the arrangement made for their protection and conservation by the Union Government;
- (c) the amount that has been spent for the purpose during the last two years and the current year;
- (d) whether any proposal has been sent by the State Government of Gujarat in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the break-up of the proposals approved, rejected and pending before the Government?

Answer

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

- (a) There are 202 monuments/sites declared as of national importance under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India in Gujarat. A list is at Annexure.
- (b) The monuments/sites declared as of national importance are conserved, preserved and maintained by undertaking structural repairs on need basis and as per the archaeological norms.
- (c) The expenditure incurred on the conservation, preservation and maintenance of the Gujarat monuments during the last two years and the current year is as under:

2007-08 Rs.267.37 lakhs

2008-09 Rs.353.96 lakhs

2009-10 Rs.17.81 lakhs

(upto June 09)

- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Does not arise.