

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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SAMADHI STHALA OF SHRI MORARJI DESAI AS NATIONAL MONUMENT

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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop 'Abhayghat' Samadhi Sthala of the former Prime Minister Late Shri Morarji Desai as a national monument;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total expenditure to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the time by which the construction work of the memorial as national monument is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING & PARLIAMNENTARY AFFAIRS(V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (d): A Memorial of Shri Morarji Desai named 'Abhay Ghat' has been constructed at the bank of river Sabarmati, District Kheda Gujarat. The construction work started in July, 1997 and was completed in March, 1999.