

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:50
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MAINTENANCE OF JAGANNATH TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the dilapidated condition of the Jagannath Temple at Puri in the State of Odisha;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken/proposed to be taken for the repair and renovation of the said temple;
- (c) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) which has been entrusted with the responsibility of upkeep of the said temple has failed to spend funds allocated for the purpose;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated and utilised for the maintenance and preservation of the said temple during each of the last three years?

Answer

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

- (a) The Jagannath Temple at Puri in the State of Odisha is not in a dilapidated state of & preservation. The conservation work at this monument is attended to, regularly
- (b) depending upon the need of repairs and availability of resources.
- (c) No Sir. The allocated funds are fully utilised.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The detail of funds allocated/utilised for maintenance and preservation of the said temple during the last three years are as under:

S.No Year Funds allocated/
expenditure (Amount in Rs.)

1	2008-09	38,31,251
2	2009-10	48,21,567
3	2010-11	14,24,512