GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4203 ANSWERED ON:02.05.2012 REMNANTS OF INDIAN CULTURE IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES Adityanath Shri Yogi

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that remnants of Indian culture are still existing in various countries of the world;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for conservation of these remnants existing in various countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

- (a) & (b) Government is aware that there are archaeological remains, reflecting Indian culture in various foreign countries. No Survey of these remains has been conducted by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). However, maximum remnants of Indian Culture can be seen in South-East Asian countries.
- (c) On behest of MEA, at present the ASI is doing the conservation work of Ta Prohm Temple in Combodia and Vat Phou Temple in Lao PDR and going to start the conservation work of Ananda temple in Myanmar shortly.