

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CONDITION OF JAGANNATH TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any report from the State Government of Odisha regarding the safety of the structures of the Jagannath Temple at Puri;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there are reports of the said temple being in a dilapidated state;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government/ Archaeological Survey of India for proper maintenance of the Jagannath Temple?

Answer

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

(a)to(e) A letter was received last year, from State Government of Odisha about fall of a Kalasa stone of western entrance gate of Jagannath Temple at Puri. The fallen stone was restored immediately, other essential repairs attended and State Government was apprised accordingly. The conservation work of Jagannath Temple at Puri is attended to regularly, depending upon the need of the repairs and availability of resources and the monument is in a good state of preservation.