

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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CONSERVATION OF PLACES OF WORKSHIP
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of places of worships in the country wherein beautification/ conservation work has been carried out during each of the last three years, State-wise; and the

(b) funds sanctioned and spent on this work, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE SMT. CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH

(a)& (b) 3678 monuments/sites have been declared as monuments/sites of national importance, which include, inter alia, temples, mosques, churches and, monasteries. Archaeological Survey of India undertake annual maintenance of centrally protected monuments in respect of their character. Conservation works like consolidation of foundation, strengthening of walls and repair to floors, pillars, roofs, water tightening, under pinning, pointing, etc. are carried out. Besides minor repairs, environmental development in and around monument is also been taken up regularly. The expenditure incurred on conservation, preservation and maintenance during last three years including environmental development is placed at Annexure.