

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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RESTORATION OF PASHUPATINATH TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pashupatinath Area Development Trust (PADT), Nepal has sought the assistance of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in restoration of the Pashupatinath Temple;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the time by which the restoration work of Pashupatinath Temple is likely to be taken up by the ASI?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SMT. CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

(a) & (b) The Pashupatinath Area Development Trust (PADT), has approached Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) to help them in the conservation and restoration of monuments in the Pashupatinath Temple Area Complex. Accordingly MEA has requested the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) to depute a team for survey and assessment of conservation requirements of said temple complex.

(c) Further steps, including the time frame, will be dependent on the preparation of the Preliminary Assessment Report after a site visit by a team from ASI