

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a Conference was organized by Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural heritage in Delhi on Heritage and Development in 2007;
- (b) if so, the names of the countries which took part in the Conference and the details of the various theme discussed therein;
- (c) the details of the recommendations made for the creation of coordinated network for Heritage and Development and its promotion; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government on the recommendations made therein?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V, NARAYANA SWAMY)

(a) to (d): INTACH organized an `International Conference of National Trusts` in December 2007, which was attended by various voluntary and autonomous organisations and individuals belonging to countries mentioned at Annexure-I.

The central theme of the conference `Heritage and Development` was further divided into nine sub-themes for detailed discussion. These included Heritage and Globalisation, Conservation of Heritage in Regions of Conflict and Natural Disasters, Heritage Tourism and Conservation, Funding for Conservation Projects., Regional Cooperation and Role of National Trusts, Heritage and Conservation Management and Urban Renewal, Legislation, Heritage Education, Intangible Heritage. Further details are available in the website of INTACH `[www.intach.org](http://www.intach.org)`.

As a follow-up of the conference; INTACH organized an Asian Regional Cooperation Conference in December 2008 on Art Conservation, Heritage Education, Heritage Management and Heritage Tourism. The recommendations involving long term and short term measures were also circulated by INTACH to the participants including other countries.