

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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CONSERVATION OF MONUMENTS BY PRIVATE SECTOR

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

- (a) the criteria/conditions fixed for the private sector companies entrusted with the job of maintenance of historical places/heritage sites;
- (b) whether the criteria/conditions are not being followed by the companies in the course of executing the conservation work;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against the defaulter companies;
- (d) whether the private players charge hefty entry fee from the visitors at the historical/heritage sites; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) to(c) No private sector company has been assigned the job of maintenance of protected historical monuments by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). Conservation work is mostly done by ASI departmentally.
- (d) &(e) No private agency is allowed to charge any fee from visitors at the protected monuments of ASI.