

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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EXPENDITURE ON MONUMENTS  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is considering to protect all historical monuments by spending huge amount on their protection and preservation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government needs to spend the allocated amount on a time bound basis;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether it is true that the culture sector has not been accorded the priority it deserves; and
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) No Madam.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c)&(d) Conservation work of the protected monuments is a continuous process. The allocation for the current financial year for conservation of monuments is Rs.184.04 crores which will be utilized by the March, 2014.
- (e) &(f) No Madam. Due priority is accorded to the conservation of the monuments and culture sector.