

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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RESTRUCTURING OF ASI
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering a major restructuring of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to address the issues of low pay scale and status to attract the best minds in the field of history and archaeology;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the restructuring process is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. For the purpose of restructuring and strengthening Archaeological Survey of India, an agency namely M/s Manpower Management and Planning Consultants, New Delhi was engaged to undertake an exercise and their report was submitted in March, 2011. Based on this report, a detailed proposal for the overall strengthening and restructuring of ASI, including strengthening of existing cadres and introducing some new cadres is in the final stages of preparation.
- (c) & (d) The pay and perks of officers in all fields are fixed as per Government order, on recommendation of Central Pay Commission from time to time.
- (e) The implementation will start once the proposal is approved by the competent authority.