

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:587  
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MANPOWER FOR MAINTENANCE OF MONUMENTS  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that many protected monuments in the country are not being maintained for want of adequate manpower and technical staff at various places;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether there are 29 protected monuments in Ahmednagar district of Maharashtra;
- (d) if so, whether there is acute shortage of manpower and technical staff to look after these monuments and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government is also aware that some monuments are being defaced; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard along with the number of vacant posts in Archaeological Department and the time by which the vacant posts are likely to be filled up?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) CULTURE & TOURISM (SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

- (a)&(b) No Madam. The protected monuments are well maintained with the available manpower and technical staff at various places.
- (c) Yes Madam.
- (d) No Madam. Minimum required manpower and technical staff is available to look after these monuments.
- (e) The protected monuments are in a good state of preservation.
- (f) The details of the vacant posts in Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) are given in annexure. The process of filling up vacant posts is continuous and dynamic in nature. Periodic review of vacancies resulting from retirement, resignation, death, etc. is carried out and suitable action is taken with the concerned recruiting agencies to fill up these posts.