## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2045 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2015 CONSERVATION OF HUMAYUN TOMB Nishad Shri Ajay

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

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has intiated steps to revive the lost glory of many tombs in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the conservation and restoration work of Humayun Tomb has been carried out by Agha Khan Trust against the policies of ASI:
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the details of sites where the restoration work has been done by Agha Khan Trust:
- (d) whether the ASI has examined the work and has conducted any enquiry/audit; and
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof along with the action taken by the ASI in this regard?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is taking care of 3685 centrally protected monuments in the country including tombs and they are in a good state of preservation.
- (b)&(c) No Madam. Agha Khan Trust has carried out the conser- vation work of Humayun Tomb, Barbers' Tomb, Isa Khan Tomb, Nila Gumbad and adjoining monuments in Sunder Nursery and Nizammudin Basti area, as per the policies of ASI.
- (d)&(e) Conservation work of Humayun Tomb has been executed after approval of detailed documentation work as well as conservation plan by the ASI. A core Committee was constituted for this pur- pose who has reported nothing adverse in this regard.