

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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2076. SHRI ELUMALAI V.:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has conducted any survey regarding conservation of Gingee Fort in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to increase funds for maintenance of Gingee Fort;
- (d) if so, the funds allocated for repair work of the Fort along with the action taken by the Government for repair/renovation of this ruined fort; and
- (e) whether the Gingee Fort is included in the UNESCO's World Heritage Monument list and if so, the present status thereof?

Answer

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a)
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(b) Yes Madam. Surveys for assessment of conservation requirements of monuments, including Gingee Fort, are conducted regularly by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) based on which required conservation works are carried out at the sites

(c)
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(d) Adequate funds are earmarked for Gingee Fort as per availability of financial resources to ASI. For the current financial year Rs. 26.00 lakhs have been allocated for execution of essential conservation work at this fort.

(e) No. Madam. There is no such proposal at present.