

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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REMNANTS OF INDIAN CULTURE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the important remnants of Indian culture scattered in South East Asia;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for the improvement/development of the remnants of Indian culture?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam. The Government is well aware of the important remnants of Indian culture in South- East Asia. These vestiges in the form of temples, sculptures, stupas, monasteries etc. are scattered in many South - East Asia countries.

(b) & (c) Archaeological Survey of India(ASI) is executing conservation and restoration works at Ta Prohm Temple in Cambodia, Vat phou Temple in Lao PDR and Ananda Temple in Myanmar under the aegis of Ministry of External Affairs. In addition, the restoration work of Thiruketheeswarm Temple at Mannar in Sri Lanka is also supervised by the ASI.