

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the location of the Museum?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (c) The Government has received a proposal to establish a National Museum on Freedom Movement. The details including location of the Museum have not been firmed up.

Development of Takshila

4022. SHRIMATI SUKHBUNS KAUR: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether during the recent visit of the Chief Minister of Punjab to Pakistan an agreement was reached for cooperation in developing Takshila as a multi-cultural tourist destination;

(b) whether the Chief Minister, while offering a donation of Rs. 11 lakh, promised to raise funds for such development of Takshila, in view of the pilgrimage value for Hindus, Muslims and Buddhists with ancient temples, mosques and Buddhist Stupas;

(c) whether Government have also considered participation in the development of Takshila in Pakistan as a multi-cultural centre; and

(d) if so, the decision taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and would be laid on the table of the House.

Safdarjung Tomb

4023. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry has shown interest for beautification and upkeep of Safdarjung Tomb;

(b) if so, whether trade and corporate bodies are interested in monuments already protected by the ASI, which are in better shape than the unprotected monuments; and