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Historical monuments in Assam

3588. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of monuments and their names in Assam, which of them are looked after by the Central Government;
- (b) the annual income thereof;
- (c) the amount, Centre is spending on their maintenance;
- (d) whether these monuments require some more funding by the Centre; and
- (e) if so, whether the estimated expenditure involved over and above already sanctioned are according to any survey?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) There are fifty-five centrally protected monuments/sites, declared as of national importance in Assam. The details are at Statement. (*See below*).

- (b) The following revenue has been earned from the ticketed monuments in Assam during the last three years:

2009-10	Rs.14.58 lakhs
2010-11	Rs.18.39 lakhs
2011-12	Rs.17.34 lakhs

- (c) During the last three years the following amount has been spent on conservation, preservation and maintenance of these monuments:

2009-10	Rs.162.99 lakhs
2010-11	Rs.156.38 lakhs
2011-12	Rs.162.06 lakhs

- (d) and (e) The conservation, preservation and maintenance of monuments is an ongoing process requiring increasing funds year after year. Every year review of the status of monuments/sites of the ASI declared as of national importance is taken up. A number of monuments are identified for taking up structural repairs of special nature. The conservation programme is drawn up accordingly and funds are provided

for the same. For sustained preservation of the remaining sites/monuments, routine maintenance comprising removal of vegetation, maintenance, minor repair works such as patch plastering, pointing, water-tightening, masonry, etc. is also taken up.

Statement

*Detailed list of Centrally Protected Monuments under the Jurisdiction of
Archaeological Survey of India in Assam*

Sl. No.	Name of the monument/site	Taluka	District
1	2	3	4
1.	Cachari ruins,	Khaspur	Distt. Cachar
	i. A small unfinished dwelling house		
	ii. Baradwari		
	iii. East wall		
	iv. Singh Darwaza		
	v. Temple of Ranahandi and 7&8 two small temples		
2.	Idgah	Rangamati Hill	District Dhubri
3.	Rangamati Mosque	Rangamati Hill	District Dhubri
4.	Sri Suryapahar Ruins	Dasabhuja Devasthan	District Goalpara
5.	Monument over the grave of Mr. B.J.Stow	Goalpara	District Goalpara
6.	Tomb of Lt. Cresswell,	Goalpara	District Goalpara
7.	Ancient Caves	Jogighopa	District Bogaigaon
8.	Monoliths, Kasomari Pathar,	Kasomari Pathar	District Golaghat
9.	Sivadol, Neghriting,	Neghriting,	District Golaghat
10.	Carvings, Inscriptions and pillar on the,	Urvasi Island, Guwahati	District Kamrup
11.	Rock-cut sculptures representing Vishnu Janardan	Guwahati	District Kamrup
12.	Stone inscription inside the "Poa Mecca Mosque"	Hajo,	District Kamrup

1	2	3	4
13.	Sri Kedar Temple	Hajo,	District Kamrup
14.	Sri Genesh Temple, Hajo	Hajo,	District Kamrup
15.	Sri Kameswar Temple,	Hajo,	District Kamrup
16.	Duargaril a Rock inscription,	Kamakhya Hill	District Kamrup
17.	Rock-cut figures	Kamakhya Hill,	District Kamrup
	i. Dancing Bhairava,		
	ii. Figures of Ganesa-2		
	iii. Figure of Narakasur		
	iv. Four-handed Bhairavi		
	v. Miniature Sikhara Shrine		
	vi. Sivalingas-12,		
	vii. Stone Gateway		
	viii. Two-handed Bhairavi		
18.	Rock-cut temple,	Maibong	District North Cachar Hill
19.	Two inscribed stones,	Maibong	District North Cachar Hill
20.	Bolosaon Group monoliths,	North Cachar Hills,	District North Cachar Hills
21.	Derebara Group monoliths,	North Cachar Hills,	District North Cachar Hills
22.	Khartong Group of monoliths,	North Cachar Hill	District North Cachar Hills
23.	Kobak Group monoliths,	North Cachar Hills,	District North Cachar Hills
24.	Group of four Maidams,	North Cachar Hills, Charaideo	District Sibsagar
25.	Ahom Raja's Palace,	Garhgaon,	District Sibsagar
26.	Vishnudol, Gaurisagar,	Gaurisagar	District Sibsagar
27.	Devidol, Gaurisagar,	Gaurisagar,	Sibsagar
28.	Sivadol, Gaurisagar,	Gaurisagar,	Sibsagar
29.	Gaurisagar Tank, Gaurisagar,	Gaurisagar	Sibsagar
30.	Vishnudol, Joysagar	Joysagar	Sibsagar

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31.	Devidol, Joysagar	Joysagar,	Sibsagar
32.	Ghanashyam's house, Joysagar,	Joysagar	Sibsagar
33.	Golaghar or Magzine House, Joysagar District	Joysagar	Sibsagar
34.	Karengghar of the Ahom Kings, Joysagar,	Joysagar	Sibsagar
35.	Ranghar Pavallions, Joysagar,	Joysagar	Sibsagar
36.	Sivadol, Joysagar	Joysagar	Sibsagar
37.	Rangnathdol, Meteka,	Meteka,	Sibsagar
38.	Vishnudol, Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar
39.	Devidol, Sibbsagar,	Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar
40.	Eight Cannons of the Ahom period on the bank of the Sibbsagar tank, Sibbsagar.	Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar
41.	Sivadol, Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar	Sibbsagar
42.	Bordol temple, Bishwanath,	Bishwanath,	District Sonitpur
43.	Grave of Lt. Lewis Van Sadan, Bishwanath,	Bishwanath	District Sonitpur
44.	Grave of Lt. Thomas Kennedy, Bishwanath	Bishwanath	District Sonitpur
45.	Rock known as "Sakreswar on the Island Umatumani	Bishwanath	District Sonitpur
46.	Rock Known as "Bishwanath" Sivalinga", Bishwanath	Bishwanath	District Sonitpur
47.	Dhandi temple, N.C. Kamdayal,	N.C. Kamdayal	District Sonitpur
48.	Ruins, Singri Hill,	Singri Hill,	District Sonitpur
49.	Masonry remains on the Bamuni Hills, Tezpur	Tezpur,	District Sonitpur
50.	Mound and ruins of the stone temple, Dahparbatia	Dahparbatia,	District Sonitpur
51.	Rock Inscription on the bank of the Brahmaputra, Tezpur	Tezpur,	District Sonitpur

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52.	Sculptures in the Chummary compound, Tezpur	Tezpur,	District Sonitpur
53.	Hayagriva Madhava Temple, Hazo,	Hazo,	District Kamrup
54.	Gun of the Emperor Sher Shah, Sadia	Sadia,	District Tin Sukhia
55.	Two Swivel guns belonging to the Mughal Nawwara, Sadia	Sadia,	District Tin Sukhia

Cultural agreements with Commonwealth countries

†3589. SHRI BHAGAT SINGH KOSHYARI : Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the countries including Commonwealth countries with which cultural agreements have been signed by India;
- (b) the activities undertaken therein along with the details of sanctioned and utilised funds during the last one year;
- (c) the details of diplomatic and other benefits achieved by the country till date by such cultural agreements; and
- (d) the details of those countries with which similar agreements will be signed in future by Government?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) The list showing names of countries with which India has entered into cultural agreements including the Commonwealth countries is enclosed as Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) The details of activities undertaken by the Ministry of Culture through its various organizations and the funds sanctioned/utilised by the organizations thereunder during the last one year is enclosed as Statement-II (*See* below). In addition, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Ministry of Textiles [Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts)] and Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) have undertaken cultural activities with other countries.

(c) Cultural Agreements facilitate cultural exchange and are integral part of diplomatic activities. These have played an important role in building bridges of understanding and developing better appreciation of India abroad. These have also helped in disseminating Indian culture in new territories and creating awareness about Indian culture, tradition and heritage abroad.

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