

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.830
ANSWERED ON 9.2.2021

**CAP ON NUMBER OF VISITORS TO MONUMENTS UNDER
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA**

830. SHRI RAJEEV SATAV:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has removed the cap on number of visitors to the Centrally protected monuments maintained by the ASI across the country that were introduced in the wake of the COVID – 19 pandemic and, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has fixed any entry fee to see the Taj Mahal and other Centrally protected monuments in the country and, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to introduce a single entry pass for all the monuments in the country to encourage tourists to visit different monuments and, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) Yes, Sir. The cap on the number of visitors to the centrally protected monuments/sites is removed. However, the total number to be allowed per day may be decided by the concerned Superintending Archaeologist/ SA(Incharge) with the concurrence of the respective District Magistrate, who is the chairman of the District Disaster Management Committee of the district.
- (b) The entry fee structure applicable at Taj Mahal and other centrally protected ticketed monuments is at Annexure.
- (c) No such proposal is under consideration.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.830 FOR 9.2.2021

Entry fee Structure at Centrally Protected Ticketed Monuments

Monuments	Specification of Visitors	Effective rate of Entry fee at centrally protected ticketed monuments
Category A monuments (World Heritage Monuments including Taj Mahal)	(i) Citizen of India and visitors from SAARC countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri-Lanka); and BIMSTEC countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri-Lanka, Thailand) and overseas citizens of India	Rs.40/- per head for cash
		Rs.35/- per head for cashless
		Rs.50/- per head for cash for Red Fort, Delhi
		Rs.35/- per head for cashless for Red Fort, Delhi
	(ii) Others (All Nationals other than from countries mentioned above)	Rs.600/- per head on cash
		Rs.550/- per head for cashless
	(iii) Others (as ii above) who are desirous of availing additional facilities	Rs.850/- per head for cash
		Rs.800/- per head for cashless
		Additional fee for entry to main Mausoleum of Taj Mahal
Category B monuments (Other ticketed Monuments)	(i) Citizen of India and visitors from SAARC and BIMSTEC countries and overseas citizens of India	Rs.25/- per head on cash
		Rs.20/- per head for cashless
	(ii) Others (All Nationals other than from countries mentioned above)	Rs.300/- per head for cash
		Rs.250/- per head for cashless
	(iii) Others (as ii above) who are desirous of availing additional facilities	Rs.400/-per head for cash
		Rs.350/- per head for cashless
