

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2095**  
ANSWERED ON 16.12.2021

**PROTECTION OF MONUMENTS IN PUDUCHERRY**

2095. S. SELVAGANABATHY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are seven protected monuments in the Union Territory of Puducherry that have been identified by the ASI;
- (b) if so, the details of each of the monuments;
- (c) in what manner is the ASI protecting these monuments; and
- (d) Money allocated, released and spent on each of the above seven monuments during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and monument-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH  
EASTERN REGION  
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Yes, Sir. There are seven centrally protected monuments in Punducherry under ASI.
- (b) Conservation, preservation and maintenance of monuments is carried out as per the requirements and priority depending on availability of funds and resources.
- (d) To provide security, Monument Attendants are posted. The expenditure incurred by the Archaeological Survey of India on these monuments during the last three years and current year is at Annexure.

## ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) to (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2095 FOR 16.12.2021.

LIST OF CENTRALLY PROTECTED MONUMENTS IN PUDUCHERRY AND EXPENDITURE ON CONSERVATION, PRESERVATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THESE MONUMENTS DURING LAST THREE YEARS, AND CURRENT YEAR.

Expenditure Amount in Rupees					
Sl.No.	Name of the Monument / Site, Locality	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (up to Nov-2021)
1.	Archaeological site and remains, Arikkamedu (Ariankuppam)	53,826	2,96,936	30,010	4,600
2.	Siva temple dedicated to Sri Mulanathar, Bahur	8,389	Nil	24,864	6,27,857
3.	Siva temple dedicated to Thirukkundangudi Mahesvarar called also dear kovil, Madagadipattu	55,544	96,967	65,163	1,20,273
4.	Siva temple dedicated to Swayambhunatha Swami or Tantondriyivar, Nedungadu	14,85,119	39,416	34,390	15,437
5.	Siva Temple, Settur	54,460	84,280	1,49,639	1,18,573
6.	Vishnu temple dedicated to Tingalai Sri Varadarajaperumal, Tirubuvanai	63,076	86,730	32,844	Nil
7.	Siva temple dedicated to Sri Panchanathaeswarar or Sri Vadukiswarar, Tiruvandar Koil	2,77,285	1,01,430	1,96,730	1,63,109

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