

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.484**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2022

**NATIONAL CULTURE FUND**

484. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:  
SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government has set up National Culture Fund (NCF) to facilitate Public-Private Partnership (PPP) in the field of heritage conservation and promotion and if so, the details thereof and achievements made since its inception;
- (b) details of projects undertaken and funds sanctioned during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether many projects for conservation of monuments through PPP has failed to take off due to lack of coordination between Archeological Survey of India ASI and sponsoring institutions and if so, the details thereof, and reasons therefor; and
- (d) steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. Government has set up National Culture Fund (NCF) as a Trust on 28th November, 1996 under the Charitable Endowment Act, 1890 with a view to mobilize extra resources through Public Private Partnerships (PPP) towards promoting, protecting and preserving India's cultural heritage. A donor/sponsor while making contributions to the NCF may indicate a project along with any specific location/aspect and also an agency for execution of the project. Besides, the interests accrued from the Primary and Secondary Corpus is also utilized for activities associated with the field of culture. Since inception, NCF has completed 52 projects with various donors.
- (b) The details of projects undertaken and funds sanctioned during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise are at **Annexure**.
- (c) & (d) No, Sir. To ensure that ASI projects supported by NCF do not get delayed, a Project Implementation Committee (PIC) under DG, ASI's Chairmanship regularly meets and smoothens difficulties, if any.

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**Annexure referred in part (b) of Rajya Sabha unstarred Question No.484 for Reply on 21.07.2022 regarding National Culture Fund**

The details of projects undertaken and funds sanctioned during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise are -

**Table - A - Donation/Sponsored Projects**

**Financial Year 2019-20**

S. No.	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1	Bihar	Indian Oil Corpn. (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist Infrastructure facilities at The Ashokan Pillar, Kolhua	287.13
2.	Karnataka	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Conservation work and tourist facilities at Bhoganandishwara Temple, Bangaluru, Karnataka,	4.69
3.	Madhya Pradesh	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist infrastructure facilities at Khajuraho Group of Temples, MP	940.17
4.	Maharashtra	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Development of tourist infrastructure facilities at Kanheri Caves, Maharashtra	157.89
5.	Maharashtra	Pune Municipal Corporation	To enliven the environs and recreate the splendor of Shaniwarwada Palace, Pune	2.93
6.	Odisha	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist infrastructure facilities at Sun Temple, Konark, Odisha	1044.36
7.	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Façade illumination at Brihadeshwara Temple, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu	2.58
8.	Uttar Pradesh	Sony India Pvt. Ltd.	ASI Project on Up gradation of Sarnath Site & Museum, U.P.	60.39
9.	Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Maharashtra, Gujarat	India Infrastructural Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL)	Installation and Commissioning of turnstile in the following ASI monuments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Fort, Delhi</li> <li>• Qutab Minar, Delhi</li> <li>• Humayun Tomb, Delhi</li> <li>• Purana Qila, Delhi</li> <li>• Taj Mahal, Agra</li> <li>• Sun Temple Konark, Odisha</li> <li>• Ellora Caves, Aurangabad, Maharashtra</li> <li>• Bibi Ka Maqbara, Aurangabad, Maharashtra</li> </ul>	53.14

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaniwarwada, Pune, Maharashtra</li> <li>• Rani-ki-Vav, Gujarat</li> </ul>	
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### Financial Year 2020-2021

S. No	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1	Bihar	Indian Oil Corpn. (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist Infrastructure facilities at The Ashokan Pillar, Kolhua	1.48
2.	Bihar	National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. (NTPC)	Conservation and development of the excavated remains at Vikramshila, Bihar	14.51
3.	Goa	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist infrastructure facilities at Se Cathedral and other monuments in ASI Goa Circle	1.00
4.	Gujarat	Rural Electrification Corporation (REC)	Crafts and sustainable skill development in Gujarat (Self employed women's association-SEWA)	2.41
5	Karnataka	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Conservation work and tourist facilities at Bhoganandishwara Temple, Bangaluru, Karnataka,	55.31
6.	Madhya Pradesh	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist infrastructure facilities at Khajuraho Group of Temples, MP	1063.95
7.	Maharashtra	Pune Municipal Corporation	To enliven the environs and recreate the splendor of Shaniwarwada Palace, Pune	1.01
8.	Odisha	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Tourist infrastructure facilities at Sun Temple, Konark Odisha	386.88
9.	Rajasthan	ASI-World Monuments Fund	Jaisalmer Fort, Rajasthan	17.29
10.	Tamil Nadu	Indian Oil Corporation (through Indian Oil Foundation)	Façade illumination at Brihadeshwara Temple, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu	260.85
11.	Uttar Pradesh	Sony India Pvt. Ltd.	ASI Project on Up gradation of Sarnath Site & Museum, U.P.	43.41
12.	Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Maharashtra, Gujarat.	India Infrastructural Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL)	Installation and Commissioning of turnstile in the following ASI monuments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Fort, Delhi</li> <li>• Qutab Minar, Delhi</li> <li>• Humayun Tomb, Delhi</li> <li>• Purana Qila, Delhi</li> </ul>	23.76

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Taj Mahal, Agra</li> <li>• Sun Temple Konark, Odisha</li> <li>• Ellora Caves, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Bibi Ka Maqbara, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Shaniwarwada, Pune</li> <li>• Rani-ki-Vav, Gujarat</li> </ul>	
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### Financial Year 2021-2022

S. No	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Madhya Pradesh	Infosys Foundation	Conservation and restoration of Baodi and Math at Group of Temples, Bateswar, District Morena, M.P.	100.00
2.	Maharashtra	Raja Dinkar Kelkar Museum	Conservation of new museum	6.64
3.	Maharashtra	Uttaradevi Charitable & Research Foundation	Conservation , restoration, maintenance and provision of visitor amenities at Shri Bhuleshwar Temple	20.00
4.	Maharashtra	Pune Municipal Corporation	To enliven the environs and recreate the splendor of Shaniwarwada Palace, Pune	5.1
5.	Uttar Pradesh	Sony India Pvt. Ltd	Up gradation of Sarnath Site & Museum	13.19
6.	Delhi, Uttar Pradesh Odisha Maharashtra Gujarat	India Infrastructural Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL)	Maintenance of turnstile in the following ASI monuments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Fort, Delhi</li> <li>• Qutab Minar, Delhi</li> <li>• Humayun Tomb, Delhi</li> <li>• Purana Qila, Delhi</li> <li>• Taj Mahal, Agra</li> <li>• Sun Temple Konark, Odisha</li> <li>• Ellora Caves, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Bibi Ka Maqbara, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Shaniwarwada, Pune</li> <li>• Rani-ki-Vav, Gujarat</li> </ul>	74.21

**Current Year (April 2022 to till date)**

S. No	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Delhi	State Bank of India	Development of Atmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design at L-1 Barrack, Red Fort, Delhi	200.00
2.	Delhi, Uttar Pradesh Odisha Maharashtra Gujarat	India Infrastructural Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL)	Maintenance of turnstile in the following ASI monuments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Fort, Delhi</li> <li>• Qutab Minar, Delhi</li> <li>• Humayun Tomb, Delhi</li> <li>• Purana Qila, Delhi</li> <li>• Taj Mahal, Agra</li> <li>• Sun Temple Konark, Odisha</li> <li>• Ellora Caves, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Bibi Ka Maqbara, Aurangabad Maharashtra</li> <li>• Shaniwarwada, Pune</li> <li>• Rani-ki-Vav, Gujarat</li> </ul>	10.65

**Table - B : Allocation of funds by NCF****Financial Year 2019-20**

S. No.	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Bihar	Astro Link	Preparation of DPR for Nalanda Site Museum, Bihar	15.19

**Financial Year 2020-21 - NIL****Financial Year 2021-22 - NIL****Current Year (April 2022 to Till date)**

S. No.	State	Donor	Name of the Project	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Bihar	Astro Link	Preparation of DPR for Nalanda Site Museum, Bihar	6.41