

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.808
ANSWERED ON 09.02.2023

UNTRACEABLE/MISSING MONUMENTS

808 SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that 50 of country's 3,693 centrally protected monuments have gone missing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether similar instances have occurred in the past decade also, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the outcome of the investigations conducted in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) No Sir, The performance Audit Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) & in 2013 had stated that 92 protected monuments were found missing. However,
- (b) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has traced out 68 monuments and 24 are not yet traced. List of 24 untraceable monuments is at **Annexure**.
- (c) Vigorous efforts were taken up by the respective field offices of ASI to trace the & monuments mentioned missing in the CAG report. The details of the outcome of that is as
- (d) under:
Monuments/sites which physically exist: 42
Monuments/sites affected due to rapid urbanization: 14
Monuments/sites submerged in reservoir/dam: 12
Monuments/sites which are untraceable: 24.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA
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LIST OF MONUMENTS/SITES WHICH ARE UNTRACEABLE

Assam	
1.	Guns of Emperor Sher Shah, Sadia, Tinsukia
Arunachal Pradesh	
2.	The Ruins of Copper Temple, Paya, Lohit
Haryana	
3.	Kos Minar, Mujesar, Faridabad
4.	Kos Minar, Shahabad, Kurukshetra
Uttarakhand	
5.	Kutumbari Temple, Dwarahat, Almora
Delhi	
6.	Bara Khamba Cemetery, Delhi
7.	Inchla Wali Gumti, Mubarakpur Kotla
Madhya Pradesh	
8.	Rock Inscription, Satna
Maharashtra	
9.	Old European Tomb, Pune
10.	One Buruj, Agarkot
Rajasthan	
11.	Inscription in Fort, Nagar, Tonk
12.	12 th Century Temple, Baran
Uttar Pradesh	
13.	Ruins of three small linga temple circle 1000 AD, Ahugi, Mirzapur
14.	Three sites with megaliths on the western and north eastern toes of the hill, Chandauli
15.	Tablet on treasury building, Varanasi
16.	Telia Nala Buddhist ruins, Varanasi
17.	A Banyan grove containing traces of ancient building, Amavey, Ballia
18.	Closed Cemetery, Katra Naka, Banda
19.	Gunner Burkill's Tomb, Mehroni, Lalitpur
20.	Three Tomb, Lucknow-Faizabad Road, Lucknow
21.	Cemeteries at miles 6 and 7, Jahraila Road, Lucknow
22.	Cemetery at Gaughat, Lucknow
23.	Large ruined site called Sandi-Khera, Pali, Shahabad, Hardoi
West Bengal	
24.	Ruins of fort, Bamanpukur, Nadia
