

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2354
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2026

Expenditure on the construction of Statues and Memorials

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of statues and memorials established by the Government or Government owned undertakings along with the total amount incurred on construction and maintenance thereon during the last ten years, year and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that citizen have raised objections and complaints regarding large amount being incurred on statues and memorials despite the shortage of other basic amenities including education, health, drinking water and roads in various areas of the country;
- (c) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to enforce any clear policy, maximum expenditure limit and transparent acceptance procedure for construction of statues and memorials with public fund; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and time line fixed therefor and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Ministry of Culture has not established Statues and Memorials. Details of other Statues and Memorials established through Central Public Works Department (CPWD), Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs are attached as Annexure-I.
- (b) No such representations/grievances received in Ministry of Culture.
- (c) Not applicable in view of reply to point (b) above.
- (d) No Sir.
The construction of statues and memorials with public funds, wherever undertaken, is governed by the extant policies, rules, guidelines and financial procedures applicable to the concerned Ministry/Department/organisation.
- (e) Not applicable in view of reply to point (d) above.

**Details of Statues and Memorials Established through
Central Public Works Department (CPWD),
Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs**

Sl. No.	Details of Statues/Memorials	Expenditure	Year	Organisation
1	Former Prime Minister Late Rajeev Gandhi Memorial, Sriperumbatur, Tamil Nadu	Rs. 41.34 Crore	2017-18	CPWD
2	National Dandi Memorial Complex at Dandi, Distt. Navasri, Gujarat.	Rs. 59 Crore	2019	CPWD
3	Ambedkar Memorial, Delhi	Rs. 122.87 Crore	2018	CPWD
4	Platform for statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Jaisalmer House, New Delhi	Rs. 7.89 Lakh	2024	CPWD
5.	Statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in te Hon'ble Supreme Court	Rs. 14.56 Lakh		CPWD
6.	Statue of Ved Vyas at NCERT Campus, Haus Khas, New Delhi	Rs. 1,95,344/-		CPWD

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