

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2497
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2026

PROMOTION OF KAKATIYA HERITAGE IN WARANGAL

2497. DR. KADIYAM KAVYA:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan or approved any proposal for the conservation, promotion and development of the Kakatiya heritage of Warangal, including its monuments, traditional arts, handloom and handicraft traditions, cultural festivals and cultural tourism under various Central schemes during the last three years; and
- (b) the details of projects sanctioned, financial assistance sanctioned and released, works undertaken and completed and the future initiatives proposed for the promotion of Kakatiya heritage in Warangal?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) There are 9 Protected Monuments and sites under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in the State of Telangana including Kakatiya heritage monuments in Warangal district. ASI takes up conservation and maintenance of all these monuments in a regular way as per the need and availability of resources. Also, The Kakatiya Rudreshwara (Ramappa) Temple, located at Palampet, Mulugu district, Telangana, was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List on 25 July 2021 during the 44th Session of the World Heritage Committee.

The Government of India has set up South Central Zone Cultural Centre (SCZCC) at Nagpur to preserve and promote various forms of folk art and culture of their member States. Telangana is the member State of SCZCC and it organizes various cultural activities and programmes in its member States including the State of Telangana on regular basis for which annual grant-in-aid is provided to them. The details of cultural activities and programmes organized by SCZCC in the State of Telangana during the last three years are at Annexure I.

Details of schemes for the Kakatiya heritage monuments of Warangal are given as below:

- (i) Under the **Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) Scheme** launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs: Warangal City, District: Warangal was promoted as a HERITAGE CITY, through which conservation and development works are carried out at two centrally protected monuments in Warangal, viz., Thousand Pillar Temple and Warangal Fort through Kakatiya Urban Development Authority (KUDA) and closely monitored by ASI.
- (ii) **PRASHAD Scheme:** Under this scheme Government of India had sanctioned **Rs.6199.65 Lakhs** for Development of Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism Infrastructure at Rudreshwar (Ramappa) Temple, Mulugu, Telangana.
- (iii) The ASI has recently opened two souvenir shops at Warangal i.e. Ramappa and Swayambhu Temple Complex for the visitor.

- (b) Details of Conservation works undertaken by ASI in Telangana including Warangal in the last three years are given at Annexure-II.

Dept. of Heritage, Govt. of Telangana has prepared DPRs and submitted it to the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, New Delhi, through the YAT & C Department, Government of Telangana, for sanction of funds.

Further, an MoU has been signed between ASI and Kakatiya Urban Development Authority (KUDA) for development of Warangal Fort, defenses and gateways. A DPR has been received for Warangal Fort and Thousand Pillared Temple to develop amenities.

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South Central Zone Cultural Centre (SCZCC), Nagpur

Sl. No.	Year	Names of cultural programmes/ festivals/ activities organised	No. of artists participated
i.	2022-23	Guru Shishya Parampara (Oggu Katha) 8th International Yoga Day Sawan Aayo Lok Nritya Bharat Bharati Ashad Lahari Narhar Kurandarkar	327
ii.	2023-24	Telangana Formation Day "Qila aur Kahaniya" All India Crafts Mela – 2023 Painting Camp during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav Classical Dances during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav Craft Mela during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav Folk & Local Dances (Folk Performance) during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav	616
iii.	2024-25	Divisional Level Festival Lok Manthan- 2024 Veer Bal Diwas Udyan Utsav Har Kanth Mein Bharat	158

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DETAILS OF THE CONSERVATION WORKS UNDER TAKEN BY THE ASI HYDERABAD CIRCLE LAST THREE YEARS

2023-24

At Ramappa Temple, Mulugu

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Expenditure (In Rs.)
1	Restoration of missed portion of Prakara wall on North East of Ramappa Temple- Palampet	9,59,317/-
2	Providing Lightening conductor to Ramappa Temple (World Heritage Monument), Palampet	32,65,460/-
Total		42,24,777/-

At Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanamkonda

	Restoration & Conservation works to the stepped well (Koneru) at Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda 2022-23	11,10,920/-
	Restoration & Remaining works at KalyanaMandapam, Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda	1,36,79,478/-
	Providing Lightening conductor to Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda	8,05,855/-
Total		1,55,96,253/-

At Warangal Fort, Defences and Gateways, Warangal

	Repairs and Restoration works to the Stone wall at Warangal Fort, Warangal	22,52,250/-
	Repairs and Conservation works to Nelashambuni Temple at Warangal Fort	19,67,925/-
Total		42,20,175/-
Grand Total		2,40,41,205/-

2024-25

At Ramappa Temple, Palampet, Mulugu

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Expenditure(In Rs.)
1	Conservation and Minor structural repairs to the Ramappa Temple at Palampet	Rs.3,99,850/-
2	Reconstruction and Restoration of Kameshwaralaya in Ramappa Temple complex at Palampet	Rs.27,54,923/-
3	Restoration of Kameswaralayam (Geo Technical Investigation) in Ramappa Temple, Palampet	Rs.10,45,000/-
Total		Rs.41,99,773/-

At Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanamkonda

1	Providing lightening conductor to the Thousand Pillars Temple, Hanamkonda	Rs.4,97,320/-
2	Restoration & Remaining works at KalyanaMandapam, Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanamkonda	Rs.94,22,568/-
Total		Rs.99,19,888/-

At Warangal Fort, Defences and Gateways, Warangal

1	Repairs and Conservation Works to Nelashambhuni Temple, Warangal Fort, Warangal	Rs.13,11,660/-
2	Restoration and Conservation Works to Venkateswara Temple at Warangal Fort, Warangal	Rs.2,40,000/-
3	Repairs and Restoration works to the Stone Fort Walls at Warangal Fort, Warangal	Rs.20,01,600/-
4	Providing Rain Water Drains (Drainage System) in side of Swayambhu Temple Complex, Warangal Fort, Warangal	Rs.28,91,475/-
Total		Rs.64,44,735/-
Grand Total		RS.2,05,64,396/-

2025-26

At Ramappa Temple, Mulugu

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Expenditure (In Rs.)
1	Conservation and Minor Structural Repairs to the Ramappa Temple at Palampet – 2023-24	Rs. 11,39,334/-
2	MW (SR) Restoration of Missed portion of Prakara wall on North East side of Ramappa Temple, Palampet	Rs. 44,83,472/-
3	MW (SR) Reconstruction and Restoration of Kameshwaralaya in Ramappa Temple Complex at Palampet, Mulugu Dist.	Rs. 2,84,94,441/-
4	Up gradation and Extension of Existing Fencing at Ramappa Temple Complex, Palampet, Mulugu Dist. – 2025-26	Rs. 48,26,350/-
Total		Rs. 3,89,43,597/-
At Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanamkonda		
1	MW (C) Providing Weathering course to the roof of KalyanaMandapa at Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanamkonda for the year – 2025-26	Rs.43,800/-
At Warangal Fort, Defences and Gateways, Warangal		
1	Up gradation of Public Amenities and providing cc cameras at Warangal Fort, Warangal - 2025-26	Rs.21,78,690/-
Grand Total		Rs.4,11,66,087/-
