

Ministry of Culture

Problems faced by ASI in Protecting Monuments and Sites

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The Superintending Archaeologists of Archaeological Survey of India are authorised to issue show cause notices against cases of encroachments and unauthorised/illegal constructions as per the provisions of Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains (AMASR) Act 1958 and Rules 1959. The District Collector/Magistrate are requested to remove/demolish such constructions. Awareness programmes are organized on World Heritage Day, World Heritage Week and on other occasions to inculcate respect in society towards cultural heritage. In addition to the regular watch and ward staff, private security personnel, State police guards and CISF have also been deployed for the safety and security of selected monuments.

This information was given by Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent Charge) in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

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