

F.No. Misc./81/17/2015
Government of India
National Commission for Minorities

5th Floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan,
Khan Market, New Delhi-110003
Dated : 22.06.2015

To,

All organisations/institutions belonging to notified minority communities.

Subject :- Repair and maintenance of religious monuments

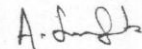
Sir,

National Commission of Minorities has been receiving representations on the issue of maintenance and repair of religious monuments belonging to the notified minority communities. The issue was taken up by this Commission with the Ministry of Culture and Prime Minister's Office. Ministry of Culture has already set up a National Cultural Fund, a Public Charitable Trust to which funds could be donated including donations under CSR for conservation of specific monuments including living /religious monument as desired by the donor(s) and such donations are 100% tax exempted.

Further, ASI is also open to accept donations directly from the donors under CSR, without routing such donations through NCF and donations so received do not form a part of Consolidated Fund of India as the same would be undertaken as 'Deposit Work' and hence does not lapse at the end of the financial year.

You are therefore, requested to give details of the proposed monuments whose maintenance is required to be done and the nature of work to be carried out. This will be further communicated to ASI/Ministry of Culture who would get detailed plans and estimates for the proposed plans. The conservation work will be taken up immediately after receipt of funds from the donor through NCF or directly to ASI.

Yours faithfully,



(A.Sengupta)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India