

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TOURISM**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2572
ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025**

GANGA SAGAR MELA AS HERITAGE SITE

2572. SMT. MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria to become a heritage site;**
- (b) whether there is any plan of Government to declare 'Ganga Sagar Mela' as a heritage site; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (c): As conveyed by the Archaeological Survey of India, Section 4 of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 (AMASR Act, 1958), provides that Government may declare any ancient monument or archaeological site and remains to be of national importance depending on archaeological, historical or architectural importance.

Further, there is no proposal to declare Ganga Sagar Mela as a protected area as it does not fit under Section 4 (3) of the AMASR Act, 1958”.
