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### SC appoints team to take stock of Sabarimala treasures

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THE Supreme Court on Friday ordered a detailed inventory of sacred ornaments belonging to the Sabarimala deity under the supervision of retired Kerala High Court Judge Justice C N Ramachandran Nair.

The bench was acting on the advice of Attorney General K K Venugopal, who was representing the Kerala government. Venugopal cited the example of Sree Padmanabha Swamy temple in Kerala where an inventory was prepared to ensure that treasures valued at lakhs of crores of rupees are not replaced with fake items. PB

### How only 16 jewels of deity, asks court

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VENUGOPAL submitted a list of ornaments belonging to Lord Ayyappa that were in the government's possession. After perusing it, the bench expressed surprise. "Are there only 16 ornaments?" it asked. Venugopal said the rest was with the Pandalam royal family. He urged the court to direct the royal family to submit the full inventory and allow a jeweller to assess them for their valuation. But senior advocate K Radhakrishnan, appearing for the royal family, objected. "This is an attempt by the state to take indirect control of the jewellery," he argued.

Raja Raja Varma, a royal family member, had moved an impleading application in SC, seeking directions to enable senior family members to access the jewellery.