

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TOURISM AND CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5018  
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SETTING UP OF LIBRARIES  
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government are contemplating to set up libraries in the rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, whether any committee has been set up in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details in this regard;
- (d) the percentage of libraries set up in rural areas of the whole country;
- (e) the target set by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the State-wise number of libraries proposed to be set up in the country, particularly in Rajasthan?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

- (a) No , Sir.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) There is no scheme to set up libraries in rural areas under the Department of Culture.
- (e) Does not arise.
- (f) Does not arise.