GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TOURISM AND CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3606 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2001 FORMATION OF TRUST ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Trust was constituted by the Department of Culture on May 5, 1995 to administer the fund of rupees One crore twenty lakhs saved from the International Federation of Library Association (IFLA) conference held in New Delhi in 1992 organized by Indian Library Association (ILA) and the letters to the Trustees had to be issued on May 18, 1995, but on May 22, 1995 it was stalled by the officer concerned for personal reasons;
- (b) whether the file concerning the formation of the trust has been deliberately misplaced by the officer concerned;
- (c) if so, the steps, the Government propose to take to revive the trust; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

- (a) No, Sir. Though a decision was taken to set up a Trust to administer the savings of IFLA'92 but the Trust was not constituted.
- (b) The file was not misplaced.
- (c)&(d) The matter has been reviewed and a decision has now been taken in consultation with the Dept. of Legal Affairs that the funds belong to the Indian Library Association.