

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6168
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NATIONAL MISSION FOR MANUSCRIPTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Mission for Manuscripts is facing many snags because of the linguistic complexity of manuscripts, copyright problems, etc;
- (b) if so, whether all these complications have been sorted out with a view to carry on the work assigned to this mission;
- (c) if so, whether any permanent office has been established and the staff appointed for its effective functioning;
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : A National Empowered Committee under the Chairmanship of Minister-in-Charge of Culture and the Executive Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Culture) have been constituted to achieve the objectives of the National Mission for Manuscripts and oversee its implementation.

(c)&(d) : A permanent office of the National Mission for Manuscripts has been set up in Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts. A full time Mission Director with a supporting team have been put in position for effective functioning of the Mission.